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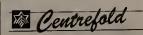


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COMMENTARY



Remember tzedakah during Chanukah

The gift that keeps giving

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish everybody a Chag Sameach, a happy and festive Chanukah. Chanukah is traditionally thought of as

a celebration that our children especially can enjoy with dreidel games, gifts and holiday treats, in this edition of the Bulletin, you can find poems and stories from the children who attend our community's schools expressing their thoughts on this

Chanukah holiday.

Our community is blessed with a good choice of schools, both afternoon and day, for our children's Jewish education.

At this time of year, the children have been rehearsing the Chanukah story about the wicked Hellenist regime in Syria, then the ruler of Eretz Israel and the attempt to uproof Judaism from the country. We all know of the many miracles, not the least being the ability to resist and to succeed in reinstituting what the government wanted to destroy. The saga awes the youngsters but it also has profound lessons for us.

Usually the emphasis is placed on the outside forces arrayed against us. The Hellenist forces of Syria had the latest in military technology and a well trained army. They also had the powerful allure of the Greek culture, which attracted many of us, especially among those who exercised some leadership and who were prominent. They contemplated how they could make the country more like the surrounding nations.

Historians teach that they were ready, at least on the surface, to accede to the demands of the Syrian-Greek monarch and his government, even up to the veneration of a Greek delity alongside the Master of the Universe. For a very dedicated group of people this could not be permitted and the act of rebellion, led by the Hasmonean family in Modifin, was symptomatic of the underlying feelings in the country. Forbidding Jewish practices and learning became the method of forcing compliance by the rulers but it only caused more anger in the majority of the people.

Responding to religious persecution and coercion, the revolt led by the Hasmonean form and the second and the second and coercion, the revolt led by the Hasmonean form and the method of the people.

Most of these schools are beneficiaries of the United Jewish Appeal and are an excellent example of how effectively our UJA gifts are used within this community.

During this Festival of Lights, please give some thought to tzedakah, to your gift to UJA. In that way you can make your Chanukah gelt into a gift that spreads benefits during the entire year both here in Ottawa as well as in the rest of Canada and Israel.

Once again, and on behalf of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'lr, a happy Chanukah to all!

FROM THE PULPIT

RABBI ARNOLO FINE AGUDATH ISRAEL



Bert Bronsther of the Ottawa Post, Jewish War Veterans of Canada, lays a wreath at the National

Veterans observe Remembrance Day

The Ottawa Post, Jewish War Veterans of Canada held its annual Remembrance Day Shabbat service on November 5 at Beth Shalom Synagogue. The service was well attended by the many veterans wearing their service medals and the continuous. It is the Dost's congregants. It is the Post's intention to rotate this an-nual service to other Ottawa

nual service to other Ottawa synagogues.

Nap Kapinsky introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Victor C. Goldbloom, the Commissioner of Official Languages. He spoke about continuing to fulfill the goals that veterans and their dead comrades hoped to achieve. Also in attendance was Licutenant-General P.G. Addy, representing the Chief of the Defence Staff.

Staff.

Mac Lobel read out the names of those servicemen who were killed in both wars and aiso recited the Act of Remembrance. The congregation then stood for

a moment of silence paying homage to those who made the supreme sacrifice. Phil Pinkus and the congregation then read the 23rd Psalm. "The Lord is my Shepherd." The veterans assembled at the front of the synagogue and recited Kaddish for their departed comrades.

Kaddish for their departed comrades.
Jack Shinder, who brought a group of cubs and scouts to the service, spoke on the meaning of Remembrance Day for the younger generation. Honours were given to several veterans including the reading of a Torah portion by Sam Ages and the reading of the maftir by Leon Leckle.

Members of the Post also attended the Remembrance

Members of the Post also attended the Remembrance Day Service at the National War Memorial on November 11. Bert Bronsther laid a wreath on behalf of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada and the Ottawa Jewish community

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The next issue of the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin will appear December 12, 1994.
Following that, there will be no issue until January 30, 1995. The deadline for the January issue is January 11, 1995.

Responding to religious persecution and coercion, the revoit led by the Hasmoneans, from a not very prominent family of Kohanim, from a not very important town, gave Israel the ability to resist, to go on and to develop the very unique traditions, which sustain us today. They tapped into a wellspring of concern and religious devotion that allowed their achievements to have a profound impact. Amid the present-day gift giving, we too often forget that we must look after our own religious and cultural health. We can be, as were the Jewish sympathizers with Greek culture and religion, the creators

of our own problems.

The weakness of many Jewish families, their lack of commitment and knowledge, are signs that we must get ourselves back on track or the consequences will be grave — not in a few generations, but almost immediately. It is not governments or social pressures that are causing the problems. The light of the Chanusha candles is supposed to filuminate our failings. force us to confront them and respond appropriately and fully.

With all that we have, we are still very vulnerable to the same forces which our ancestors faced. No one, blessedly, is coercing us except ourselves.

The signs point to Jews walking away from the community or having such weak ties that they are in danger of being lost. The emphasis on children, while important, has often meant that we have neglected the older generations, in helping them to expand and enhance their sense of being active Jews. It is time that all of us go beyond the customs and ceremonies, with the sense of their being optional, to a concept of accepting responsibility to do what Judaism teaches. In a voluntary community, such as ours, only the individual can make such a self-imposed demand.

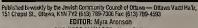
Chanukah is more than gifts and decorations. As the children remind us, in case we forget, it celebrates the rededication of the Temple. It also is a reminder that we should be rededicating ourselves to the values for which our ancestors fought, so that we can celebrate today. This rededication is the gift that keeps giving.

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Machzikei granted Coat of Arms

By Diane Koven

History was made on Tuesday, November 8 when Congregation Machzikei Hadas became the first synagogue in the Common-wealth to be granted a Coat

Hadas became the first synagogue in the Commonwealth to be granted a Coat of Arms.

A Coat of Arms, which is a grant of honour from the Crown, is a symbol of "authority, ownership and identity" and may now be used by the synagogue on all official documents. Brand new kippot imprinted with the Coat of Arms were worn by the men in the "standing room only" crowd of over 500 assembled for the event. Every attended also received a lapel pin depicting the Coat of Arms in minature.

The evening began with a ceremonial procession into the sanctuary led by Their Excellencies the Right Honourable Ramon John Hnatyshyn, Governor General of Canada, and Mrs. Gerda Hnatyshyn and Rabbi Bulka led the congregation in a Prayer for Canada which, he explained, is recited in his synagogue every Shabbat. Cantor Pinchas Levinson then led the singing of Hattkvah, accompanied by Evelyn Greenberg. Rabbi Bulka pointed out the historic significance of the event, in light of the fact that the Coat of Arms Cere-



Rabbi Bulka receives Coat of Arms from Governor General Hnatyshyn

mony was taking place the mony was taking place the day before the anniversary of Kristallnacht. The granting of Arms was eloquent testimony to the great welcome accorded to Jews in Canada.

Canada.

A hushed crowd listened intently as Robert Watt, Chief Herald of Canada, read the Proclamation of Patent and the Governor General stepped up to the bimah to sign and present the Letters Patent to Rabbi

Bulka.
Governor General Hnatyshyn began his remarks by nodding to Rabbi Bulka and commenting "He's a hard act to follow." He went on to pay tribute to the great contribution made by Machzikei Hadas to Canada. He also stressed the importance of heraldry as a link

with timeless tradition.

On behalf of the congregation. Rabbi Bulka, synagogue president David Kardash and Sisterhood president Rhona Levine presented the Governor General with a beautifully framed and inscribed copy of the Prayer for Canada and a picture of the Coat of Arms.

Following the ceremony everyone adjourned to the social hall for a reception and the "cutting of the cake," depicting the Coat of Arms, by the Governor General.

Arms, by the Governor Gen-eral.

The giant cake, compli-ments of Rideau Bakery, was quickly eaten, but the taste of the evening re-mains ever strong for those who attended.

Copy of a letter sent to Hana Cammy, project chair of I Never Saw Another Butterfly

It was indeed an hon-

It was indeed an honour and a privilege to first be invited, and then to attend your gala evening at the Centrepointe Theatre on Saturday, October 15. The opportunity to meet Raja Zadnikova will remain a highlight with me for many years. The response from the diplomatic core and the highest levels of government to your invitation lent the gala the dignity it deserved. The performance by the Ashbury students was extraordinary as I believe the playwright, Celeste Raspanti, noted. The reception following provided each of us an opportunity to work our way through the many deep thoughts and emotions with those with whom we had shared the

evening's experience.
It may be of interest to you to know that my husband and I visited Dachau in 1985; that too was an experience that has remained with me, and is still as vivid in my mind today as it was that. mind today as it was that August day in 1985. I have visited several me-morials to the Holocaust, morials to the Holocaust, and each time I am stopped in my tracks. I was lucky enough to discover the book I Never Saw Another Butterfly, and shared it with my children, shortly after it was published almost two decades ago.

May God continue to bless your many efforts.

bless your many efforts.
Yours sincerely,
Yvonne O'Neill, M.P.P.
Ottawa-Rideau

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Specialists in many areas
have been brought in to explore themes in amusing

and creative ways. Many of the sessions feature Jewish culture celebrated in song, story and craft. The traditions of each

The traditions of each holiday are presented in a format to appeal to children with crafts carefully adapted for little hands. Parental involvement is encouraged, in fact, many of the craff activities are some along that pagents are appealing that parents are often seen working on their own creations. Programs take place every second week and upcoming

events include the magic of the Chanukah lights, a pet-tling zoo. a policeman and the wonderful rituals of a Pesach seder. The cost is \$4.00 per program to cover craft materials and kosher snacks. Over 60 families have discovered the pleas-ures and appeal of this very special program and invite special program and invite you to share your Sundays with them and your child. For more information or to register for the program please call Abby at 722-1353.

CICF to host annual Chanukah party

By Gerl Migicovsky

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The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation will hold its annual Chanukah party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Norman Barwin, 73 Lock isle Rd. on Sunday. December 4 at 7:30 pm.

Dr. Barwin, president of the Ottawa Chapter of CICF will welcome all members and prospective members to this event that has become a tradition in Ottawa.

This year, CICF is fortunate to present Cantor Samuel Linkovsky of the Agudath Israel Congregation. Linkovsky is the fourth generation of a family of Russian-Romanian Cantors. He was educated at the Jewish Theological Seminary of New York and studied with former Metropolitan Opera singer Mme. Julia Drobner. Cantor Linkovsky has a wide repertoire woven into the richness of Jewish heritage. The program will highlight cantorial masterpieces, Yiddish and Israeli songs and Russian romances. Anne Steinberg, a member of the



Cantor Samuel Linkovsky

Agudath Israel Choir, will join the Cantor for several ducts and Evelyn Greenberg will accompany the singers.

The evening is free of charge for CICF members and \$5.00 for guests. It is always difficult to judge the amount of food that the catering company must prepare. As a courtesy to them please call either Geri Migicovsky at 729-0333 or Ruth Calof at 523-1600 to indicate your attendance.

MAILBAG

The Editor.

Recently 1 had the opportunity to attend the 5th birthday celebration of the JCC Daycare Centre - "Early Beginnings." What a wonderful party! No self congratulatory speeches (in fact no speeches of any kind), no fund-rasing and no "Tancy menu by ..."

Just an opportunity to bring people together to celebrate a happy occasion.

An awful lot of work and talent goes into the preparation of a party to make it seem simple and unpretentious and to create a loving, homey atmosphere.

Congratulations to Marie Stovicek and her dedicated staff, it was wonderful.

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The glory of the King's daughter

By Neshl Rodin

Machon Sarah Girl's Schooi, located on the second floor of a small building in the west end, is flourishing. The smiling faces of the 10 young students exemplify one of the school's guiding principles — "Ivdu est HaShem b'simcha." The girls are encouraged to always look for the positive and work at bringing happiness into every situation.

In a recent interview, one of the students noted that the school's theme of 'achdus,' group unity and mutual support, underlies all their efforts. "The girls are always ready to lend a helping hand," she said. "The school has sponsored many chesed campaigns in which the girls perform such deeds of kindness as visiting the sick, helping mothers with their newborns, or doing some

Pesach cleaning for an overloaded family.
In these initiatives, the school is

family.

In these initiatives, the school is following in the footsteps of Sarah Scheinerer, the founder of the chain of Beis Yaakov Girl's Schools. Scheinerer strongly emphasized the Torah principle of "ha ikur es ha ma'asch." In which the main purpose of education is geared to positive action. In the Bais Yaakov curriculum, educational excellence in both religious and secular studies goes hand in hand with the development of exemplary character traits and the performance of good deeds. Scheinerer set up the first schools in direct response to the wave of secularism which began to sweep across Europe after the first World War. Access to education was no longer the monopoly of the very rich. Secular schools sprung up

which were dedicated to breaking open the restrictions of money, class and sex which had previously dominated society.

Jewish families committed to following the traditional ways earnestly sought out religious schools for their sons. However their daughters had been taught in the less formal structures of the traditional family and community, and this infrastructure now lay in ruins. Many young women were attracted to the open doors of the secular system, seeking formal educational opportunities equivalent to that of their truities equivalent to that of their ruities equivalent to that of their ruities.

Sarah Scheinerer was a young seamstress working in the city of Cracow in Poland. She recognized the urgent and legitimate need of

these women for an education of a calibre equal to their brothers. She garnered the support of the Rabbinical authorities and began what was to be the first in an enormously successful chain of religious schools for women. She introduced Torah and Jewish religious principles to young Jewish girls who had abandoned their heritage, not out of desire so much as ignorance and lack of exposure.

Her success is borne out in the burgeoning of the Beis Yaakov schools across Europe and in America, with Ottawa opening its branch in 1989. Last spring the community joined in the school's momentous celebration of its first graduating class. With the guidance of the staff, the girls at Machon Sarah are developing the qualities of a tru bas melech, bas Yisroel.



Try it . . . you'll like it

By Valerie Terkel

As you know, the Kosher Meals on Wheels was estab-lished in 1982 by the Jewish Family Services. As of October 31, 1994 the meals will once again be prepared by Hillel Lodge and they are absolutely

yummy."
Since it is the Kosher Meals on Wheels "Bat-Mitzvah,"
we are offering a FREE meal for the first 10 people (not
presently on the program) who might wish to avail
themselves of this service.
Please call Valerie Terkel at 789-1800 and we will be
happy to have you try a FREE MEAL. TRY IT, YOU'LL
ENJOYIT."

Jewish Family Services invites all widows and widowers to join Donna Caplan on Wednesday, December 14 at 10 AM in the library at 151 Chapel Street.

Donna will assist the group with any issues of concern, every second Wednesday from 10 AM until 12 noon.

If you wish more information or if you plan to attend please call Donna at 789-

Plans under way for 1995 Walkathon

Pictured here at last year's Walkathon are: Pauline E. Pankowski, Campaign Direc-tor, Ray Fathi, Walkathon co-chair, Dr. Eve Shulman and Susie Welsman, Mar-shall co-chair. Walkathon '95 is co-chaired by Ellen and Ray Fathi with a full com-mittee of dedicated volunteers.

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Signs and symbols

By Carolyn Miller

1st year MA - Philosophy, University of Ottawa

We are continuously confronted by different signs and symbols. For the most part they are innocuous. We process them. We understand what they mean. We ascribe to them our own understanding and place them in the context of our value systems.

the context of our value systems.

Take, for example, a stop sign. Even without the word
"STOP" printed on it, we understand that a red, octagenal-shaped sign, placed on a street corner, means stop.
Signs and symbols take on meanings unto themselves. A
sign that has a universal meaning, like the stop sign,
can be taken from the street corner and placed in a
different environment. We know that it still communicates the idea of "STOP," because there is a collective
understanding of this image. But this article is not
about a harmless stop sign. It is about the signs and
symbols that communicate harmful ideas.

Recently a one-panel comic appeared in an edition of

symbols that communicate harmful ideas.

Recently a one-panel comic appeared in an edition of the University of Ottawa's student newspaper, The Pulcrum. This "comic" — using the word loosely — depicted a Hitler/Gestapo image superimposed upon Kermit the Frog, with swastikas in the background. It exploited collectively understood symbols.

collectively understood symbols.

Now this might seem on the surface to be merely an ironic image, and an attempt to squeeze humour out of the juxtaposition. Perhaps the intention was to illustrate a humorous situation by taking known symbols out of context and combining them. This seems harmless enough. But then we must ask ourselves, is there really anything funny about a swastika? Does removing it from its intended context render it innocuous? Do we need to see a symbol that represents such evil taken out of its historical context and placed in a comical one? Most importantly, what are the ramifications?

I would argue that one outcome of seeting such images.

I would argue that one outcome of seeing such images, is that people eventually stop perceiving what the symbol originally represented and end up understanding the symbol or a different context, e.g., the "comical Nazi." A dangerous situation indeed.

dangerous situation indeed.

Obviously the "comic" alone will not result in the shift in meaning of these symbols. But if we see enough misrepresentations of such harmful symbols, their meanings will shift. If we removed all stop signs from the streets and started using the sign for another purpose, its meaning would eventually shift. The same could be said for the symbols of both Hilder and the swastika.

This is not a plea to ban any images. It is a plea for sensitivity. It is also a plea to keep in mind the historical and social context of signs and symbols and to never forget what they symbolize. For what are we, if we are not able to remember the meanings behind such symbols and allow them to be misrepresented.



The Fulcrum, October 27, 1994

In the last issue of the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin, the following names were in-advertently left off the list of UJA Super Sunday Volunteers:

> Vera Klein Dr. Eve Shulman

UJA apologizes for this omission.



Students demonstrate on Parliament HIII.

Students rally on Parliament Hill and at Iranian Embassy against sponsors of terrorism

A national student coali-tion held a rally on Parlia-ment Hill on November 3 to send a message to the spon-sors of state terrorism. To-

send a message to the sponsors of state terrorism. Together they marched down Metcalfe Street for a demonstration in front of the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Some 300 students participated. Their representatives presented a bill of indictment to the Iranian government for its direct participation in international terrorism. The coalition called upon Canada to take action against Iran and declare it a "pariah nation." Iranian backed terrorist groups, including Hamas and Hezbollah, have alleged connections to deadly connections to deadly bombings in Israel, Buenos

Aires, London, New York and Panama.

In a letter to Minister of Foreign Affairs André Ouellet, Canadian Jewish Congress President Irving Abella and National Israel Affairs Chair Moshe Ronen called on the government of Canada to immediately investigate Iran's connection to terrorist activities. "We believe," stated Mr. Ronen, "that diplomatic relations should not be maintained with any country which supports international terrorism. Canada has experienced terrorism firsthand. In the 1970s, during the FLQ crisis, the Liberal government brought in the War Measures Act. Iranian backed terrorist groups are responsible for acts of ter-

rorism around the world.
Canada needs to show the
same leadership and determination today in combatiing this outbreak of transnational terrorism."
"International terrorism is not anonymous," stated
CJC Quebee Region Executive Chair Rabbi Reuben J.
Poupko. "It has a name and it has an address — the Islamic Republic of iran."
Howard Liebman, spokesman for the Jewish Student
Coalition, emphasized that as peace loving Canadians
"we stand firmly opposed to
terrorist violence. We demand that the terrorist
masterminds and fundraisers operating in the west,
including Canada, be exposed and brought to justice."



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Shown in this photo, supplied to the Bulletin by Morton Pleet, is Mary Levitan's Grade 1 class at York St. Public School, 1934. From left, Chuck Polowin, Moe Sobcoff, next three are unknown, Morton Pleet, Norman Zagerman, next two are unknown, the late Morley Bodnoff and Corkey Bordelay.



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Machson Tzvi Hersh has successful first year

By Neshi Rodin

In its first year, Machson Tzvi Hersh has in a quiet way been able to assist a number of local families. Many individuals have been able to make use of the clothing, snowsuits, boots and linen which have been do-nated to the storehouse. As well as the families which have requested assistance, Machson has supplied

various items to a number of institu-tions. A fridge, bed, bookshelf and desk have all been put to good use by different agencies.

Machson has been able to accom-Machson has been able to accomplish its double mandate this year.
It serves the community directly by
providing goods to those who need
them. It has also provided those who
wish to share, with a place for their

goods and the knowledge that someone will benefit.

The storehouse has responded to The storehouse has responded to requests for furniture in a novel way. Since storage space is limited, Machson keeps a file of larger items, which is then referred to when a request is received.

dition are always welcome, and passed on to the recipient without charge. The Machson could use a large sized mirror for those who wish to try on the clothing in addition to shelving and clothes racks.



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Ghetto: "No Theatre in a Graveyard"

By David Plouffe

"No theatre in a grave-yard!" This was the slogan used in January of 1942 by certain Vilna political groups and intellectuals who violently protested the formation of an artists' so-ciety within the Vilna ghetto. By October of that vear, the number of Jews ghetto. By October of that year, the number of Jews still living in Vilna was estimated to be 12,000, down from 80,000 just two years earlier. Amidst the murder of tens of thousands of Vilna's Jews, it was argued, there was no place for dancing, music or theatre.

for dancing, music or theatre.
Yitzhak Arad, in the foreword to Ghetto in Flames, states that "Jewish Vilna embodied the majority of hardships and torment that European Jewry at large underwent during the Holocaust, and its responses sum up most of the options available to the Jews during this tragic epoch. Vilna Jewry was a microcosm of the fate of all Jewish communities in Eastern Europe." Joshua Sobol has set Ghetto, his controversial play about the resilience of the human spirit, against the background of the Vilna ghetto.

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Ghetto re-enacts the experience of the most famous of the artistic groups that persevered in the face of unspeakable brutality; the Vilna Yiddish Theatre. Valiantly, and against all odds, the Vilna theatre troupe rehearsed and per-



The Vilna Ghetto

formed as the human val-ues in which they believed, and which shaped their lives, toppled all around them.
In December, the Ottawa

In December, the Ottawa School of Speech and Drama (OSSD) will bring this moving story to the Ottawa stage. Artistic director Natalie Stern has picked Ghetto as the school's 1994 student production. Accordingly Stern continues the school's tradition of exploring the full range of human experience.

Two years ago, OSSD examined Greek mythology

with The Golden Mask of with The Golden Mask of Agamemon. Last year, students probed literacy with Margaret Harding's production of The Other Children. Sobol's play, which has been produced in Israel, the U.S., London. England and Toronto, is a powerful theatrical production that challenges the students and their audience.

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The songs in the play were actually composed in the Vilna ghetto, and will be sung in English and in Yiddish. As well, a number of well-known Ottawa musicians and performers are

involved in the production. Katherine Palmer did some of the musical arrangements, while Janet Snarr Guillen is the musical director. Barry Karp's work with the cast as movement coach has been instrumental, along with Terrill Maquire who has choreographed the actors. Appearing in the production will be Natasha Guiller, playing the accordion and piano, and Leonartich who has done the violin arrangements and will also be performing. Louise Glatt has created the piano arrange-

ments.

Stern points out that, in spite of the lessons that history has taught us, racism, prejudice and evil are still a part of life—even in Canada. Ghetto scrves as a springboard with which the students can examine these difficult realities.

ln preparing for this play, the students have had the opportunity to deepen their personal understanding of the Holocaust. As part of the background research students were fortunate enough to meet with Mendel Good, who spoke about his experiences during the Holocaust. Some of the actors also went to Montreal to meet with former residents also went to Montreal to meet with former residents of the Vilna Chetto who knew all the people represented in the play. These residents had escaped and joined the underground as partisan fighters. The actors were able to hear first-hand about the humanity and nobility of those who rose above the brutality of this dark and evil period in history.

this dark and evil period in history.
Ghetto will be performed at the University of Ottawa's Academic Hall from December 13 to December 16 at 7:30 pm and on December 17 at 7:00 pm. A matince performance will be held on Sunday, December 18 at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$16.50 and are available by calling the Ottawa School of Speech and Drama at 789-6999.

Shalom Ottawa

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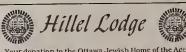
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Attending the Na'Amat Canada National Board Meeting in Ottawa recently are, from left, Rosalle Schwartz, Linda Laks, Ofra Friedman, President of Na'amat Israel, Kinneret Globerman, Lillian Laks and Judy Field.

President of Na'amat Israel attends Board Meeting

By Kinneret Globerman

The Westin Hotel in Ottawa was the site of Na'amat Canada's National

Na'amat Canada's National Board Meeting on October 22 and 23.

Current Na'amat initiatives — such as the Family Counselling Centre and the shelter for victims of domestic violence in Tel Aviv, were discussed and completed projects, such as the Ashod Daycare Centre, were reviewed, Ideas and opinions on a variety of Na'amat concerns were exchanged.

concerns were exchanged.

The highlight of the two-day meeting was the talk given by the newly-elected

president of Na'amat Israel. Ofra Friedman had come all the way from Israel specifi-cally to address the Board.

eally to address the Board.
Friedman spoke of her vision for Na amat, for this decade and beyond. The status of women, she asserted, should be the organization's main focus.
Narrowing wage gaps, exposing family violence and providing support and counselling to victims and perpetrators. perpetrators, training women for jobs in male-dominated professions, were some of the examples she cited. Na'amat is already well-established in the daycare field (the or-

ganization provides over 60% of Israel's daycarel and it is time. Friedman said, for the Israel! government to participate in the funding. About 50 Na'amat members from across Canada attended the meeting, including five members from Na'amat Ottawa. Lillian Laks and Kinneret Globerman sit on the Board as Canadian Affairs Portfolio National Officer and Chairperson respectively, along with Judy Field as a Na'amat staffer. Linda Laks and Rosalle Schwartz represented Ottawa as co-presidents of its Executive Council.



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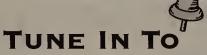
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Magic realism in Winnipeg's north end

THIS BUSINESS WITH ELIJAH By Sheldon Oberman Turnstone Press 1993 205 pages \$14.95

By Deanna Silverman

My childhood memories of growing up near Main Street in Winnipeg's North End date from 1944-66. in This Business with Elijah, author Sheldon Oberman draws on his 1960-61 childhood memories of the same location. Yet the passions, confusions, hopes and dreams portayed in this compilation of short stories unleashed memories that spanned the years between us.

For me that's proof positive that Oberman's stories are firmly anchored in a core of characteristics that are fundamental to Canadian immigram neighborhoods regard-

that are fundamental to Canadian immigrant neighborhoods regardless of who the immigrants are, where they came from and which inner city they now call home.

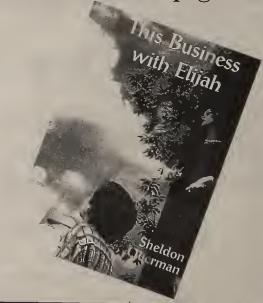
Oberman captures it all, from the pungent odors of holiday cooking and sweat encrusted clothing to the raw hopes, fears, joys and disappointments that immigrants often wear on their sleeves seemingly to

and sweat characteristics and some raw hopes, fears, joys and disappointments that immigrants often wear on their sleeves seemingly to puzzle and challenge their younger generation.

Sheldon Oberman is a mega-talented Winnipeger. He teaches English at Joseph Wolinsky High School; makes films; writes songs, plays, children's books and 240 questions for the junior version of the game, 'A Question of Scruples.' He is also editor of A Mirror of a People, an anthology of Canadian Jewish writing.

This Business with Eligah is Oberman's first collection of original short stories for adults and advanced young adult readers, approximately grade 11 and up. It was nominated for The Journey Prize, a \$10,000 award for excellence in the field of short story collections sponsored by McLelland and Stewart.

Oberman is a master craftsman, able to convey a mood and set a scene with equal ease. He skillfully weaves content, skewed perspectives and vivid imagery into a literary tapestry of reality and fantasy that defles gravity as surely as Chagall's figures float over Vitebsk, Like Chagall's paintings, Oberman's sto-



BOOK REPORT

ries are familiar, strange, gripping and vital. His palette, however, is much darker.

much darker.
Fifteen interrelated stories present readers with an in-depth look at the people who work and/or live on one block of Main Street and the nearby Babylon Apartments. Combining energy and passion with stringent stylistic control, Oberman seductively leads readers deeper and deeper into a Garp-like experience of magic realism and discontent.

The slories are mainly written from the perspective of Danny Stein, whose age drifts between 10-

12. Struggling to make sense of his own emotions and the complex world around him, Danny's impressions are a mish-mash of feelings, hormones, information, misdirection, guesses and wishes that don't quite add up to the harsh realities of adult life.

of adult life.

On Main Street we meet a magnificent cast of disappointed characters. Gradually we recognize what they refuse to admit, that they share a common destiny. Each seethes with the anger and frustration of unfulfilled dreams. Hopefully fulfillment will come in Danny's generation.

We meet Danny and his parents, Murray and Deborah, debt-ridden owners of Stein's Style Shoppe; and their building's custodian, old Mr. Werner who fills Danny's head so full of mystical stories that just before Pesach Danny sees Elijah the

Prophet dancing on trash cans in the alley behind the store.
We get to know the many sides of Danny's ideal woman. Rita McKay, waitress at the Popularity Grill, her straight-laced aunt and uncle, her dispirited boss and his crazy wife. Wife we learn of her husband's hidden reels of film, the ones he took for the Nazis.
At the Babylon Towers we meet Danny's Baba, his aunts and uncles. They easily rival Neil Simon's Lost in Yonkers family. Rigid matriarchal control, cutthroat sibling rivalry, and gross dysfunction are

Lost in Yonkers lamily, rigig marriarchal control, cutthroat sibling rivalry, and gross dysfunction are among their finer features.

Oberman does not write simple stories. Symbolism abounds. Secret acts, secret wishes, strange occurrences are the norm. And just when a story appears to be reasonably straightforward, along comes another that suddenly presents a different perspective on a scene we previously thought we'd fully understood. Viewpoint says it all or does it?

Possibly the most striking example of dual perspectives is found in City Butchers and The Portrait. These stories include two views of Danny's mother being mistaken for a mannequin. The cover picture carries this imagery to an additional distortion of space and existence.

At the end readers discover that

ence.
At the end readers discover that At the end readers discover that the stories come around in a magic circle. Whereas This Business with Elijah features a restrained Danny watching Elijah dance, The Last Days of Shadowman features Danny and his former "enemy" setting fire to Danny's comic book collection. The flames "spark into the open sky," mirroring the way Danny had wanted to let his voice bleed with Elijah's "into the endless sky." Danny is moving beyond his roots into his wings.

Danny is moving beyond his roots into his wings.

Fasten your seatbelts. Engage your brains and enjoy the challenge of visiting Sheldon Oberman's North End Winnipeg. I certainly did. And I know that each time I re-read these stories I'll find more in them. Come to think of it, that's also the joy of revisiting Chagall paintings.

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candie until the last night when we light eight. One should have a menorah in which one can distinguish between right and left. On the first night, the candle to the extreme right is lit. On

right and left. On the first night, the candle to the extreme right is lit. On each subsequent night, a new candle is added to the left of the previous night's candle. The new candle is always it first, the one to its right second, and so on.

Besides the eight holders for the Chanukah candles, there should be one for a ninth candle known as the shamash which is used to light the others. It should be made visible from the eight other candles. As it is prohibited to use the light of the Chanukah candles (i.e. for reading or eating) the shamash alleviates this problem. However, it is still preferable to have a light on in the room where the candles are burning.

If while lighting the Chanukah candles the shamash should go out, it is prehibited to relight it with an already burning candle. One must therefore relight it with a match and then continue.

While lighting the candles it is important that the whole household gather around to fulfill the mitzvah of parsumei nissa (publicly proclaiming the miracle.)



Each night, one should recite the Hancirot habolu. After lighting all the candles it is customary to sting Maoz Tsur or other Chanukah songs.

The preferred place for lighting the menorah should be in the main doorway of one's home, facing the public area (i.e. the street). The menorah should be placed on the left side of the opening opposite the menuzah, on a table not less than 12 inches and not more than 40 inches from the floor. If this is inconvenient one may place it in the doorway of the room where the family eats. If this too is not convenient, a room with a window facing the street is permissible provided that it is still visible from inside the

room. If one lives in an apartment building, the menorah can be placed in the doorway of the hall. The preferred time for lighting the menorah is when the stars come out. If this is not possible, the whole night is good for lighting un-ul dawn.

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The candles should burn at least a half hour. If using an oil menorah, the cups should be filled with enough oil to last at least a half hour. The coloured candles which most of us use usually burn approximately a half hour, however it is good to keep them in the freezer to extend their burning time.

If for some reason one of the candles should go out before the half

hour, one should relight them with-out a blessing.

On Friday one should light the

out a Biessing.

On Friday one should light the Chanukah candles before the Shabbat candles. Sabbath candles have to be lit 18-20 minutes before sunset. Since the Chanukah candles will be lit before the stars come out, one must use more oil than usual to allow the candles to burn a half hour after the stars come out. Alternatively, one may use Shabbat candles cut in half for the menorah, to allow for longer burning time.

On Saturday night one should make the Havdalah service at its proper time, then light the Chanukah candles.

There is no commandment to have a Seuda (a festive meal) on

There is no commandment to have a Scuda (a festive meal) on Chanukah. However it is customary to eat potato latkes and donuts which are cooked in oil, to remind us of the jug of oil which brought about the miracle. It is also customary to eat cheese and other dairy dishes

dishes.

Families usually play games such as dreidel and cards with their children, to commemorate the games that the children openly played to disguise their Torah study from the Creeks.

Greeks.

The Greeks had issued drastic The Greeks and Issued drasue decrees against the Jewish people in order to destroy their religion, forbidding them to engage in the study of Torah or performing its commandments. It is therefore, customary to give children Chanucha wells not presents as an incenkah gelt, not presents, as an incentive to learn Torah.

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We light the menorah every night,
Each candle is birning beautiful and bright.
Chanukah lasts eight days long,
Each night we gather and sing a song.
Like Mahozur or Sivivon,
Then time for gifts that's always fun.
Chanukah comes once a year.
When it comes we always CHEERII
Halley Elsen, Grade 6
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Candle light Happy times Applesauce Never boring United together Kindness Always tasty

By Josb Kramil, Grade 6 Pembroke Talmud Torah

Chanukah fun exciting
playing watching spinning
dreidel menorah presents latkes
I love ChanukahI

Eight days, Eight nights, Eight candles bwning bright, Lots of fun, Lots of joy, Lots of gifts for girls and boys.

The cold white snow on the frozen hard ground with the reflection of eight bright candles reminds me that Chanukah is finally here!
Andrea Sigler, Grade 6
Ottawa Modern Jewisb School

Happy
Another day after another
New candle every night
Night it we by candles
Use dreidels
Krispy crunchy latkes
Another night again
Happy Chanukahl
Ract

Racbel Steinberg, Grade 1 awa Modern Jewish School



Once upon a time ... a little boy lived in Israel who knew nothing about Chanukah. His name was Tal. He didn't go to school because school cost money in those days, and his parents didn't have much money. So Tal knew nothing about Chanukah. For him, Chanukah did not exist. One day, Tal was playing outside when his fitend Ron came by. "Chanukah's near," he said, "Will you come to my Chanukah?" he asked. Ron laughed. "Come to my party and see."

see."
On the first day of Chanukah Tal came to the party. It was so nice that when he came home he said, "I wish Chanukah was every day of the year."

Tamara Vardomskaya, Grade 3 Ottawa Modern Jewish School

The Oil

The oil from an olive, So shiny and smooth, It represents a miracle, A miracle of Chanukah, A miracle of G-d, A miracle of g-d, A miracle of spite of G-d, To stay Jewish, To rise over oppression, That is the oil of an olive, So shiny and smooth.

Daniel Resnick, Grade 6 Hillel Academy

py Hanuka

CHILDREN AND CHANUKAH

Poems and stories written by students from community schools

Chanukah oh Chanukah, Chanukah oh Chanukah,
A time for menorahs.
A time for food.
Having fun Is what we do.
Children playing all around,
Watching dreidels on the ground,
Menorahs shining bright.
In the dark or In the light.
We sing many songs about,
The latkes and oil,
Oh so many things to do!
Chanukah oh Chanukah,
We love youl

Aviva Hymes, Grade S Hillel Academy

Chanukah, Chanukah!
Chanukah is the best holiday around,
Kids listen to all different sounds,
Chanukah, Chanukah!
The frying of the latkes, the crackling of the
candles. candles.
The ripping open of presents and the laughter.
Chanukah, Chanukah!
But best of all is the gathering with family,
You are never too old for a gathering with
bubbles, zaidas, aunts, uncles and friends.
Chanukah. Chanukah!
Don't you love Chanukah? Well I do.
It's my favourite holiday.
Chanukah. Chanukah!
Chanukah is so much fun.
It's the best holiday for moms, dads, daughters
and sons.

Ilana Kronick, Grade 4 Star of David Hebrew School

Chanukah Night

When the sky is dark but the lights are bright In a little house for eight days and nights It is CHANUKAH NIGHT. In that house live some kids and a mouse When the oldest turns off the light Everyone is quiet but for only one bite. They turn on the lights and finish CHANUKAH MIGHT NIGHT
With latkes and wine.
They are all finished CHANUKAH NIGHT
They go to bed and say good night.
Elana Hochstadter, Grade 4
Star of David Hebrew Scbool

Hannuka is a time to celebrate
And a time to open presents
Never put on a frown
Never feel down
Under the sand Kilometres of fun Are waiting for you.

In your house or Someplace else, Hannuka is a time to have

Fun because Under those wrappings is Never ending fun.

Fun awaits you Or presents too Remember, Hannuka is a time to have

Everyttme you look at those wrappers a
Very excited feeling fills
Everyone's stomachs
Revealing surprises makes fun for everyone
Yearly food
Or yearly presents
Never die
Even if you are sad.

Daria Bergan, Grade 5 Talmud Torah Afternoon School

Sarah's Menorah

Little Sarah lost her menorah and didn't know where to find it. She stood on her head and looked under her bed, jshe found tij Then she polished and shined it.

Moishe got a present,
It was a race car with a remote control!
He played with it till the batteries were dead.
Then he put new ones in instead.
Erin Pleet, Grade 4
Hillel Academy



The Magic Dreidel

It was the first night of Chanukah and Rachel was playing with her dreidel. Rachel was getting ready for her guests. Suddenly she heard a laugh. "Who is there?" asked Rachel. "Down here, it's me — Dizzy Dreidel." Rachel couldn't believe her eyes "How can you talk?"

You see, I am a magic dreidel because "You see, I am a magic dreidel because Chanukah reminds us that a great miracle happened and that's what is happening to me." Dizzy Dreidel was spinning very fast and in a puff of smoke he disappeared. Rachel looked for the dreidel but she only found a note saying "Happy Chanukah."

Glil Roskles, Grade 2 Hillel Academy

Once upon a time there were two girls who couldn't wait for Chanukah. But their brother always said, "Chanukah shmanaka, Antlochos Mr. Tochas, who really cares." The two girls who were named Julianne and Stephanle said, "You should respect Chanukah," The brother's name was Jordan. He just said, "Humdedum dedum." The girls didn't like that.

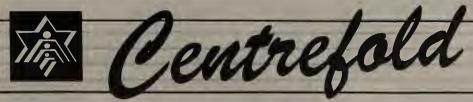
When it was time to go to bed Jordan had a dream that he was a Maccabee. Obviously, Jordan lost because he did not care about Chanukah. Then it was morning.

When night-time come Jordan was watching Tt.V. His mother cailed "Jordan, it is time to light the candles!" Jordan started to say, "I don't wan . . ." His mother yelled, "Weil you have to!" So he went upstairs. When they lit the candles and opened presents Jordan said, "I like Chanukah."

Zacbary Rose, Grade 2 Hillel Academy

I love Chanukah because my birthday is here I get to eat latkes, yummy, yummy! Do you get to eat latkes? I hope so! I love to play dreidel, Bet, Gimmel, Shin, Hey. Watch out 'cause I'll win. I'll get all the gelt. Next time we play you will get some gelt, too. I love to eat gelt, don't you? If you look inside you will find CHOCOLATE! I love Chanukah!

Bluma Caytak, Grade 3 Ecole Maimonldes



The News from the Jewish Community Centre of Ottawa

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Newly expanded Project Kesher reaches out

Program provides connection to Jewish residents of non-Jewish nursing homes

By Estelle Melzer

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The room at Carleton Lodge was packed and buzzing with anticipation. Jewish residents and their families, together with many non-lewish residents of the home, sat entranced as Aaron Zohar played yiddish melodies on the accordion and volunteers from Project Kesher circulated, clapping hand and singing along. After the program, the Jewish residents surrounded their visilors and showered them with appreciation. Those who could not speak expressed their pleasure with hugs, kisses, and the look in their eyes. The intimacy was immediate and the feeling was very special.

This scene is being repeated in many nursing homes in the Ottawa area, as a newly expanded Project Kesher reaches out to our most isolated community members, Jewish nurseidents living in non-lewish nurseidents living in non-lewish nurseidents living in non-lewish nurseidents living in non-lewish nurseingents living in non-lewish nurseidents living in non-lewish nurseidents living in non-lewish nurseidents.

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Kesher reaches out to our most isolated community members, jewish
residents living in non-lewish nursing homes and lodges.

The Jewish Community Centre
initiated Project Kesher five years
ago with the aim of conducting
outreach and providing programming to this sector of the community. The Centre presented holiday
programs in some nursing homes
and tred to keep in touch with
seniors through cards and newsletters. Staff constraints, however,
limited the scope of the program.

At the same time, other organizations and individuals in the community were making contact with
these seniors on a sporadic basis.
Albert Rivers began a firiday night
service at Central Park Lodge.
Agudath Israel Synangogue conducted programs at St. Vincent
Hospital. This Rosh Hashana, Beth
Shalom Synagogue brought plants

to seniors in all the nursing homes and hospitals, a project organized by Lillian Lang.

Meanwhile, some participants in a course on visiting the sick (Bikur Cholim) run by community rabbis had decided to focus on visiting Jewish seniors in nursing homes. They started off with some musical evenings at Central Park Lodge which were a wonderful experience for both residents and volunteers.

Now all these outreach efforts are being coordinated through the JCC's newly expanded Project Kesher program, organized by coordinator Rhoda Prager and her volunteer committee working together with JCC seniors' Coordinator Andrea Morton.

Their main goals are to establish contact with every Jewish resident in a non-Jewish home or lodge; to bring Jewish entertainment and a taste of Jewish food to selected homes on a regular basis; to maintain an up-to-date list of Jewish residents; and finally, to coordinate everyone's efforts to avoid duplication and maximize effectiveness.

So far, they have identified almost 100 seniors and have presented a variety of programs.

most 100 seniors and have pre-sented a variety of programs. Fuzzy Titlebaum read yiddish sto-ries; Ariel Amoni played Jewish music on the piano, Isaac Muzi-kansky sang and played guilar; and the Beth Shalom West Children's Choir performed. They have also received spon-sorship from Ottawa Lodge B'nai Brith and the rabbi's discretionary fund of Agudath Israel. Project Kesher has also lined up an ambilious schedule of Charuka parties in various nursing homes. Jewish seniors in non-Jewish



Ariel Arnoni plays music as Project Kesher volunteers socialize with Central Park Lodge residents. From left, volunteer Thelma Bahar, Sally Moscovitch, volunteer Shelley Schachnow, volunteer Anne Bernick, volunteer Anne Blair, Frances Winter and Mrs. Pancer.

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nursing homes feel particularly isolated at this time of year, surnounded as they are by Christmas programming and decorations. A Chanuka party in their residence is therefore, especially welcome, and also helps to explain lewish culture to the other residents and staff.

This year's Chanukah party schedule includes: November 29, Reacon Hill Lodge and Carleton Lodge, November 30, Central Park Lodge; December 1, Rideau Place; December 2, Laurier Manor; December 4, Sassiting at Agudath Israel's 9th annual Chanuka party at St. Vincent's, organized by Heather Cohen.

Neather Cohen.
Volunteers are needed for all events. If you would like to get involved in Project Kesher, please call Rhoda Prager at 722-2661 or Andrea at the JCC, 789-1818.



Project Kesher coordinator Rhoda Prager has a quiet moment with Abou Kent at Central Park Lodge.

Restaurateur Sam Haddad pitches in at Arts Alive, making falafel in the JCC kitchen. For more Arts Alive photos please see page C 4.

Falafel flavoured with goodwill

By Estelle Melzer

Eating Israeli food at Cafe Dizengoff is, for most people, an Arts Alive tradition. Every year, the Habonim-Dror Zionist youth group makes falafel, humous, and other Israeli foods, decorates a toom at the JCC with Israeli posters, puts on Israeli music, and Cafe Dizengoff. Is open for business. This year, however, there was something different at Cafe Dizengoff. The difference became apparent as soon as one bit into a falaiel. The lood was amazing—fresh, lawourful, and ruly authentic-tasting. The reason behind the exceptional quality of the food made earling it even more of a pleasure. Cafe Dizengoff was one of the nicest things to happen at Arts Alive '94! This year, the person in the ICC kitchen preparing the falafel, hu-

mous, and tehina was none other than Sam Haddad of Sam's Falafel Taboulch Garden at 464 Rideau Street. Sam, who came to Canada from Lebanon in 1966, is an active member of the Lebanese community of Ottawa, and has been in the restaurant business for many years. When the cook for Cafe Dizengoli became il a week before Arts Alive, Sam volunteered to replace him, free of charge.

The food, of course, had to be kosher. Mashgiach Harry Beck kashered Sam's equipment and Sam prepared the food right in the JCC kitchen with the mashgiach looking on. It was a two day process and a unique experience of learning and cooperation.

Then Sam spent the entire Sunday, from 900 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Jewish Community Centre, preparing the delicious middle eastern

foods common to both Israelis and Arabs. Sam described the experi-ence as an "honour," and had spe-cial praise for the youth who helped him in the kitchen — and got some free lessons in making

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The proceeds from Cafe Dizengoti will help finance the ongoing youth activities of Habonim-Dror in Ottawa and will help send its teens to Israel this summer on Mill for leadership training.

Sam Haddad's contribution to the youth of Habonim-Dror was a very special lesson in cross-cultural understanding and harmony.

And now we all know why the food tasted so great at Cafe Dizengoif this year. There really was a special ingredient in it! Now if only we could bottle and market this special ingredient to the leaders of the world's nations.

M'in Ha' Merkaz



From the Centre

By Ralph Kassie Member of the JCCA Board and President-Elect of the Canadian Council of JCCs

What Is the JCCA?

The JCCA (lewish Community Centre Association) is the umbrella organization for all United States and Canadian JCCs. It provides professional expertise in the areas of hiring personnel, evaluating service delivery of all Centres, conducting studies and preparing papers on a myriad of subjects involving Jewish society past, present and most importantly, future. As well, it is the home office of the Jewish Chaplaincy to the U.S. Military, actually the forerunner to the idea of the community centre established after the boys came back from World War II*.

Each Centre remits an annual membership fee based on the Jewish population of its city. This fee permits the Centre to tap into the

Each Centre remits an annual membership fee based on the Jewish population of its city. This fee permits the Centre to tap into the resources and expertise formulated by the top professionals in their field. (Individuals can offer their support for the Jewish community centre movement, by paying an annual JCC associate membership of \$100.) Ottawa recently commissioned an efficiency report from JCCA. Not surprisingly, they were told their programming was first rate, effective, and timely. Also not surprising was the evaluation that they are seriously understaffed for the volume of programming produced, a reality of reduced allocations and a recessionary economy. One of the JCCA's highlighted studies, started 12 years ago under the acronym of COMJEE (Committee on Maximizing Jewish Educational Effectiveness), has been a "bible" in providing guidance to Centres and Federations alike for Jewish continuity. A further study, COMJEE 2, has just been released which measured the effectiveness of the first recommendations and guides the JCC movement into the next century.

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Another major area of JCCA expertise is the forecasting, planning and implementation of new JCC facilities. At any one time, there are at least ten Centres in a state of change, or planned change. The JCCA noted in its report to the Ottawa JCC, that it was lagging far behind the rest of North America in its lack of a new facility. Ottawa was told that it is the only Centre in Canada without an indoor pool, which is the focal point of activity for any Centre. Under the guidance of the Ottawa Federation, plans are now under way to rectify this cituation.

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Every two years there is a biennial convention held in a major metropolitan city. As well as hearing inspiring speakers and informative workshops, delegates from across North America and the world share and exchange ideas. They return to their own Centres with renewed enthusiasm, ideas and declication.

This column is too short to enlarge on the many functions of ICCA. Suffice it to say that our mandate is to bring together lews of all ages, backgrounds and degrees of religion and affiliation to socialize, share ideas, support the State of Israel, maintain physical fitness, enhance our Jewish education and culture, all in friendly Jewish surroundings - exactly as done by our Ottawa ICC.

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A program of the Jewish Community Centre of Ottawa and Jewish Family Services



Happy Birthday to us!

The JCC Day Care's fifth anniversary was celebrated in style by: (left to right) Day Care Director Marie Stovicek; former JCC Program Director Paula Speevak Sladowski; Joan Burant Brown, former program advisor for the Ministry of Community and Social Services; JCC President Carol Kassie; former JCC President Lawrence Greenspon and daughter Maja; and JCC Executive Director Ron Boro.

The JCC Day Care celebrates its fifth birthday

By a former JCC day care parent

"It is such a joyous occasion for the children, parents and staff to celebrate the fifth binthedy of the (day care) centre. The staff and board members who worked with me in its development are to be congratulated, it is obviously meet-ing the needs of the parents and children. The centre is staffed by very professional and caring teach-ers."

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With these words, Joan Burant
Brown, former program advisor of
the Ontario Ministry of Community
and Social Services and counsellor
at the "birth" of the JCC day care,
greeted the happy crowd which
had gathered on November 1 for
the centre's fifth anniversary.
Who were the more than 150
people drawn together to celebrate this milestone in the day
care's history?
First there were the alumni, the
many children who had "graduated" from the program over the
years. For some, the day care centre was a vague but happy memony, for others, it was like coming
home.
Then there were the parents,

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Then there were the parents, who had seen each other bvice a day, week-in-week-out, rushing to work or home to make supper. They finally had a chance to talk to one another and exchanged reminiscences about their day care days. All could recall their feelings that first day they left their child at the centre.

The crowd also included past and current staff, members of the Parents' Advisory Committee, the day care board and special guests.

Something was happening in every room — a slide show in the gym, treats in the lunch room, a display of old photos and newspare clippings along the walls, and people everywhere, excitedly greeting each other and getting caught up on news.

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The highlight of the evening was the cutting of the birthday cake. Marie Stovicek, director of the day care since its inception, welcomed everyone and introduced the special guests who were part of the day care's development.

"I wish this place had been around when my older children

needed day care," commented Marsha Kaiserman, one of the pio-neer parents. "This place was the best thing that every happened to Daniet," her husband Murray added.

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The ICC day care, now officially known as the Early Beginnings Multicultural Childhood Development Centre, has certainly attained an outstanding reputation in the region. But this position was not arrived at without growing pains. It all began in the fall of 1988 soon after the community acquired the new property at 831 Broadview. Community staff and leaders gathered in a living room in the west end to discuss the various needs of the community. The ICC had received a number of calls from parents looking for quality child care in a lewish environment. These demands reflected recent statistics — more families with both parents working and more single parent families.

The ICC Started researching the

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The JCC started researching the feasibility of creating such a service, it was a long process. Finally, after many meetings with the Ministry of Community and Social Services, the Regional Municipality of Ottawa Carleton, consulting

architects, the fire department, the city zoning department; after searching for funding, completing a needs assessment, and developing a proposal for the kind of program needed, the JCC day care was licensed.

In its early years, the day care had to deal with typical start-up problems: filling up spaces, negotiating for subsidies, and working out a philosophy that everyone was comfortable with.

The centre wanted to find the balance between responding to the cultural needs of the Jewish community and accommodating the cultural needs of the families of other backgrounds. Once the day care had gone through a full calendar year, through the cycle of Jewish holidays, the seasons and other festivals, it arrived at a workable program that everyone could adopt.

David Moher, pas president of

adopt.
David Moher, past president of
the Parents' Advisory Committee,
summed up the feelings of many at
the celebration. "The day care," he
said, "brought out the positive
characteristics of both the children,
parents, and staff, who all worked
together to build a great facility and
program."

Light a special candle this Chanuka! Join Project Kesher as it brings Chanuka spirit to Jewish seniors in non-Jewish nursing homes

Chanuka Party Schedule

November 29

November 30 December 1 December 4

Perley Hospital Beacon Hill Lodge, Carleion Lodge Central Park Lodge Rideau Place Laurier Manor St. Vincent's Hospital



Volunteers are needed at all events. If you have a little time to spare, please call Rhoda Prager at 722-2991 or the JCC at 789-1818.

Round the Centre

PORTRAIT OF AN ARTIST

Featuring members of the Jewish Artists' Guild



AVRIL BRIGHT

Avril Bright, founding chairman of the lewish Artists' Guild, is a fabric artist specializing in fabric portraiture. She was self-taught in fabric, but studied life drawing with Robert Hyndman, firishing techniques and embellishments with famed quilter Ann Bird, and mask-making tech-

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Although visually impaired, Avril works with small, intricate stitches which clearly define her subjects and pays tremendous attention to detail. Recent works are whimsical and intended to portary humour.

Avril has had several exhibitions, including three Genesis exhibitions at the ICC's armual Ans Alive, and her work is displayed in private collections in Otawa, Toronto and New York. Her work can be seen at Harp's Desire, a new gallery and shoppe in Kingston.

As immediate past chairman of the Jewish Artists' Guild, Avril continues to play a major role in the group's activities.

DO YOU LIKE TO COOK?

Are you available on Tuesdays? We're looking for a cook/helper in the Drop-in

The job involves approximately five hours every Tuesday at the JCC, 151 Chapel St. It's not difficult; you get to meet new people and have lunch, too!

For details, please call Diane Koven at the JCC at 789-1818.

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December 31 at 9 o'clock Suggested dress code: Black and White

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To R.S.V.P. and coordinate food, call Esther at 596-1076 BY DECEMBER 27



A program of the Jewish Community Centre.

First JACS of Ottawa **Spirituality Day a success**

JACS of Ottawa (lewish Alco-holics, Chemically Dependent Persons and Significant Others) held its first spriftuality day at the Jewish Community Centre on Sun-day, September 25. This was a full day programme, focusing on addiction and recovery in the Jew-ish community.

ish community.

Our morning speaker was
Rabbi Pam Holfman, a Conservative Rabbi from New York who
works closely with JACS chapters
in Canada and the United States.
Pam spoke about issues specifically relating to Jews in recovery
and whetted our appetites to attend one of the Jacs Retreats, held
twice a year.

twice a year.
Following lunch in the succah, our afternoon speaker was Sister Louise Dunn, executive director

of serenity Renewal for Families in Ottawa. Sister Louise, together with two other participants, spoke about Steps 4 and 5, which many consider to be the key to success in any 12 Step recovery programme.

Our attendance varied throughout the day, between thirty and fifty participants, and included guests from Montreal, Toronto and New Jersey.

All agreed that the day was beneficial. Plans are being considered for another full day programme, to be held in the spring. Weekly meetings of JACS continue throughout the year on Wednesdays, at 7:30 p.m. in the Israel Program office at the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel. For more information please call Chuck at 567-3030 (office) or 739-9306 (home).

Come out to

The Golden Age Club

Every Monday, the Gold-en Age Club meets at the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel 5t. We have hot luncheons, interesting pro-grams and friendly mem-bers.

1:00 p.m. Meeting: Book Review by JCC Librarian Estelle

December 12

12:30 p.m. Bingo Luncheon Sponzored by JCC and JFS

December 19

1:00 p.m. Meeting: Francoise Gotteau speaks on "One Voice - The Canadian

December 26 No program

LIVELY LEISURE

ADULTS FOR

Lecture Program at Adugath Israel Synagogue 1400 Coldrey Avenue All programs take place at 12:00 p.m.

December 15

Speaker: Helen Zipes, Riverside Hospital

Topic: Importance of Keeping Fit and Active

A.L.L. is jointly sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre and Jewish Family Sentiace. The errors is con-Services. The program is co-ordinated by volunteers Min-nie Milson and Bess Rosen-berg. For more information, please call the JCC at 789-1818.

Come on down to:

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Arts Alive '94 — something for everyone!



Arts Alive Opening: (left to right) JAG President Morton Baslaw, JCC President Carol Kassie and JCC staff Diane Koven at the Jewish Artists' Guild exhibit, GENESIS III.



Chelsea Bridge treated its audience to a great night of jazz.



Food critic Cynthia Wine discussed the pleasures and pitfalls of eating for a living.



Bronwyn Drainie signs books after her entertaining and insightful talk on Jerusalem.



An overflow crowd attended Warren Kinsella's lecture on racist groups in Canada.



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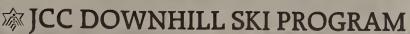


Circus Delights delighted young and old.



Arts Alive concluded with a poignant performance by Justin Lewis and Jane Enkin on the life of the shtetl.

Arts Alive photos by International Press Service



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Gettin' Physical

JCC athletic programs keep kids active over winter months

gramming begins again in January, 1995, with lots of activities to keep kids of all ages and interests busy.
Our Ski School begins on January B and runs for eight Sundays.
The Teen Ski Bus starts up at the

The Teen Ski Bus starts up at the end of January, after exams, and unstor live Sundays.

The JCC also offers a variety of choices for indoor athletes. Floor hockey begins again on Sunday, January 8 for the little guys and gals, our 5, 6, and 7 year olds. It runs at BB1 Broadview from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The older crew, 8, 9, and 10 year olds, play floor hockey on Mondays from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

p.m. Teens and pre-teens gather for floor hockey on Thursday nights. The 11, 12 and 13 year olds play from 6:30 - B:00 p.m. and then the big guys take over the Broadview

gym. The action is last and furious but the competition is good-na-tured. Floor hockey is a great way to run off excess energy over the

but the competition is good-in-tured. Floor hockey is a great way to run off excess energy over the winter and it also provides an op-portunity for kids to hook up with their friends during the week. Teens also have their choice of hoops or volleyball this winter. Teen basketball for kids ages 13 to 16 goes on every Monday night at Chapel Street, from 6:30 - B:30 p.m. Regulars include a mix of boys and girls and new participants are always welcome. Girls Only Basketball for tweens takes place on Thursday alternoons from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at 881 Broadview. This is a skills development program in a friendly, encouraging atmosphere. Teen Volleyball, also co-re-takes place on Tuesday evenings at Chapel Steet from B:30 - 9:30 p.m. It's a lot of fun and a great workout.

Recruit some triends and come on down and get that body moving. The Maccabi Club is a program for sports-minded kids in grades 6 to 9. It meets every Tuesday night at Chapel Street from 7:00 - B:30 p.m. The kids participate in a wide search build kills and variety of sports, build skills and generally have a great time. The emphasis is on fun rather than

emphasis is on fun father than competition. Fun is the purpose of all the JCC's youth athletic programs. Sports bring kids together, build friendships, help keep them fit, and hopefully, foster a positive attitude about exercise which will give them a healthier future.

It's easy to get your child involved in sports this winter. Just call Jon at the JCC, 789-1818. There's room for everyone in the JCC's Youth Athletics program.



JCC ski bunnies ready to hit the slopes

ICC Ski Program heads for the hills

By Jon Braun

The Jewish Community Centre is pleased to announce that, once again, our community's youth will be able to experience the thrill of downhill skiing, all winter long, in a safe, convenient and sociable

a safe, convenient and sociable program.

The JCC,5ki Program is ready to hit the slopes for its 18th season and provide a first class sepreince for all participants, whether beginners or experienced skiers.

The eight week program will once again be held at Edelweiss Valley. Top level instructors will provide half or full day instruction. Skiing is a terrific sport and an almost essential skill for people living in Ottawa. Getting proper ski instruction at a young age gives a

child a foundation for enjoying this sport throughout his or her life. The ICC program also provides transportation and quality supervision, both on the buses and during the lunch break. For older skiers in grades 9 to 13, the ICC offers the challenge of the Teen Bus Program, which takes them to a different hill every week, for five weeks. This year, the Teen Bus will head for Edelweits, Mont Ste. Marfe, Mont Blanc, White Face Mountain in Lake Placid and Mont Tremblant.

That white stuff will be covering the landscape soon enough, Give your child the gift of sking, the best reason to love winter. The ICC Ski Program registration form is in this issue of Centrelold. For more information call Jon at 789-1818.

It's not too late to join The Maccabi Club



Join the fastest growing club in North America! The Maccabi Club will be meeting weekly throughout the year, participating in a variety of sports, including:

volleyball • soccer • gymnastics • basketball • floor hockey • fencing • archery

skating • and more!

Sports films and featured special guests from the world of sports will drop by the Maccabi Club to meet our members. Trips to sporting events will also be organized.

For those who may want to be part of the Ottawa Youth Maccabi Team for the 1996 Games, this will give you a head start on the training.

If you want to be part of the Maccabi experience, hook up with the Maccabi Club.

Minimum Registration: 12 Duration: January 10 - April 4 Time: Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Place: 151 Chapel

Cost: \$40.00 for the year Ages: Grades 6 to 9



lewish Men's Basketball League

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| | 5) Black | , | 3 | 9) Don Osbourne | 15 | |
| | 6) Orange | 1 | 3 | 10) Gord Betcherman | 15 | |

Missing — a piece our community history Does anyone know the whereabouts of the BEN KRONICK

SOFTBALL TROPHY last presented in 1946 which had been stored in the old trophy case at the JCC.

If you have any infor-

If you have any information please call the JCC at 789-1818.





Just Kiddin' Around



Partici-PACK-tion

The 39th Henry "Hank" Torontow Beaver Colony, Cub Pack & Scout Troop



The 39th Cub Pack has had a very active autumn. As always the people that make our programs possible are the many volunteers. Our special thanks go to Marge Belovich, a tremendous volunteer who helps out at all of our programs.

On Thanksgiving weekend, we had a sleepout at Lac Phillipe. We did a lot of hiking, eating and play-

ing.

All the cubs who attended earned their Observer Badge, Many thanks to Werner Richardz for sleeping out with us and sharing the leadership role.

March 6 was also a very active day for the 39th. We participated in Arts Alive at 151 Chapel and also helped out at the Ottawa Food Bank Orive at BB1 Broadview.

How can you be in two places at one time? Well, we managed it. Our 39th sold candy floss and popcorn at Arts Alive and helped out at the Childfind booth and wherever we could be of assistance.

we could be of assistance.

We also helped sort and move five tennes of food collected at the Broadview Campus.

Many thanks to Ben Baylin, Howie Osterer and Neil Zaret of Budget Rent a Truck for, once more, making the food drive such a

Susan Richardz who took charge of popcorn and candy floss production and contributed atmosphere—and aroma—to Arts Alive '94.

Our cubs also participated in programs marking Remembrance Day in the Ottawa area.

Day in the Ottawa area.

They attended the Jewish War
Veteran's Shabbat at Beth Shalom
Synagogue, and on November 11,
had the privilege of participating in
the National War Memorial Service, Jaying a wreath at the Cenotaph. Standing right beside the veterans and viewing the ceremonies
was a very solemn and special experience for our cubs.

Our Cub and Leader Investiture

Our Cub and Leader Investiture took place on November 21. 5ix new cubs were welcomed and invested into the pack. Congratulations to all new members and their families.

families.

Programming continues right up to the holiday break, with a Bubbe/Zayde Chanukah program at Hillel Lodge on December 5 (we hope to make the bubbe/zayde program an ongoing activity), a skate night at Merivale Arena on December 5 and a special astronomy night at the Museum of Science and Technology on December 12. That's in addition to our regular programming.

programming.
It's not too late for your child to get in on the fun. Our scout program is co-ed. It is still possible to join Cubs fages B, 9, and 10), Beavers (ages 6 and 7), or 5couts (ages 11-14), Kids are invited to come out to any program as our guest and see what we are all about.

For more information call Gale at the JCC, 722-9235.



We Remember

Cubs and Scouts of the 39th Henry Hank Torontow Troop watch the Remembrance Day ceremonies at the National
War Memorial after laying a wreath.



WINTERSPREE

Don't be left out in the cold!

Join the gang at the J.C.C. for seven days of action packed fun. Go on field trips, play games, do arts and crafts, enjoy videos, cooking and much more. Bring a lunch and well provide the snacks. Dates: December 27, 28, 29 and January 2, 3, 4, and 5

8:45 - 3:45 p.m. (extended hours can be arranged)

151 Chapel Street

\$154.00

Pre-registration by December 16 is essential, (call Gale at 722-9235). Registration after deadline only if space permits. A minimum of 12 children is required.





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ADVENTURES IN STORYLAND:

Date: Tuesdays, starting January 10 Time: 12:15 - 1:45 p.m. and 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$126.00 (14 classes) "(Plus \$56.00 with extended care)

Date: Wednesdays, starting January 11 Time: 12:15 - 1:45 p.m. and 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Cost:\$140 (14 classes) *(Plus \$56.00 with extended care)

CRAFTY KIDS:

Date: Thursdays, starting January 12 Time: 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. and 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Cost: \$104.00 (13 classes) *(Plus \$52.00 with extended care)

MINI MAESTRO:

Date: Fridays, starting January 13 Time: 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. and 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$BB.00 (11 classes) *(Plus \$44.00 with extended care)

*EXTENDED CARE: Children participating in these programs may come to Garinfim on the day of their program. Children will be scorted to their program when it begins and will return to Garinfim afterwards. A snack will be served.

For more information or to register your child, please call Gale at 722-9235.

Registration is limited and is on a first come, first served basis.

HOLIDAY WORD by Gale Greenberg

How to Play
All the words listed below appear in the puzzle horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backwards. Finder her and CIRCLE THEIR LETTERS ONLY.
OO NOT CIRCLE THE WORD. The leftover letters spell the Holiday Word.



ANTIDCHUS, CANDLES, CELEBRATION, CHANUKAH GELT, DREIDEL, EIGHT DAYS, FAMILY, GIFTS, GIAMMEL, HEY, JUDAH, JUG OF DIL, LATKE, MACCABEES, MENDRAH, MIRACLES, NUN, SHAMASH, SHIN, SUFGANIOT, SYRIANS, TEMPLE.

the teen scene



The International BBYO Staff Conference

By Andrea Morton Ottawa Director, Brith Youth Organization

On November 7, 1 departed for a week-long staff conference for the International B'nai Brith Youth Organization, which took place at the Concord in the Catskills in New York. The 80 delegates came from France, the United Kingdom and all over the United States and Canada.

The first three days of the conference were for new staff such as myself. We received a detailed orientation about this Jewish youth group which is one of

tailed orientation about this Jew-ish youth group which is one of the largest in the world. Experienced BBYO staff then joined us for the remainder of the conference. Together we participated in an inspiring, in-formative and very spirited pro-eram.

formative and very spirited pro-gram.

The schedule included a non-stop series of lectures, work-shops and seminars, covering such topics as programming, re-cruitment, leadership develop-ment, policies and procedures.

The sessions were all very in-formative and the resource ma-terials distributed will benefit not only me, but also the execu-tive and members of this youth-lead organization in Ottawa.

Youth leadership was the one

Youth leadership was the one feature of BBYO most emphasized at the conference. Participating in an organization which



Andrea Morton

they themselves help lead will develop many important skills in BBYO youth. These skills will help them not only in their personal lives but also in any future leadership roles they will play in their community.

Ottawa BBYO is made up of a wonderful groun of people, dis-

Ottawa BBYO is made up of a wonderful group of people, displaying maturity, integrity and pride in what they do and their organization. They demonstrate an admirable ability to work with other youth groups around the city and help promote fun and the importance of Jewish continuity.

Their excitement has enhanced my enthusiasm and

hanced my enthusiasm and eagerness to help BBYO Ottawa accomplish its goals. Good luck, guys. You're the greatest.

Mitzvah Club helps out at Ottawa Food Bank

By Estelle Melzer

The JCC's Mitzvah Club per-formed its first mitzvah on October

. JCC staffer Andrea Morton and four community teens varying in ages from 12 to 16 went to the Ottawa Food Bank and sorted and packaged two tonnes of food.

packaged two tonnes of lood. It was an eye-opening experi-ence for them all. The Ottawa Food Bank is a huge warehouse on Bayview Avenue. The space was crowded with massive bins of food of all varieties. In order to sort the food the teens had to literally climb into these huge bins. Once

packaged, the food goes to a large and growing list of organizations for distribution to those in need. It was hard for the teens to be-

lieve that there wasn't enough food in that warehouse to feed the entire city of Ottawa but Food Bank offi-

city of Ottawa but Food Bank offi-cials told them that the demand still far outstrips the supply. The teens were also given a tour of the entire facility. They spent about two hours at the Food Bank and left with a heightened aware-ness of Ottawa's hidden poverty, which they seldom encounter in their daily lives. Doing good, the teens discov-

ered, felt good. All found their par-ticipation in this program to be a very positive experience and were eager to get involved in another project soon.

The Mitzvah Club plans to have a group helping out with serving meals to those in need on Decem-ber 25. The Mitzvah Club also hopes to get involved in Project ber 25. The Milzvah Club also hopes to get involved in Project Kesher activites for Jewish resi-dents of non-Jewish nursing

Anyone interested in getting involved in future Mitzvah Club pro-jects please call Andrea at the JCC, 789-1818.

100 youth audition for JCC Theatreworks' Peter Pan

By Pat Neuman

Auditions were held in October for JCC Theatre-works' eighth annual play, *Peter Pan*. This classic musical play will take place at Centrepointe Theatre March B to 12. There will be two school matinees and

March B to 12. There will be two school matinees and three public performances. Production staff were overwhelmed by the response to their call for auditions. Over 100 youth auditioned for 43 parts. It was an extremely difficult task to eliminate people as the talent was superb. We wished that a cast of 100 would have been needed because we could have filled it easily with the talented youngsters who tried out. Rehearsals will star on Monday, November 28 and will take place Monday. Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Closer to showtime, we will be rehearsing on Sundays as well. It's a big commitment for the youth involved. Many of the production staff are old hands returning

involved.

Many of the production staff are old hands returning for another year. Drum Hudson is back as musical director. Robert Gould is, once again, executive producer and Pat and Morris Neuman are co-producers.

Two new faces are Nancy Turner as director and



Val Keenleyside as choreographer.

We're working on different ideas with stage designer Scotty Mitchell and Centrepointe Theatre on how to make Peter Pan fily.

This will be a very elaborate and technically difficult production and lois of volunteers are needed backslage. If musical theatre interests you and you would like to get involved, please call Pat Neuman at 727-1709

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Please call Andrea at the BBYO office at 789-1818



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SPECIAL

The Funnu Chanukah Dreidel

Once upon a time there were two girls. They were playing with their dreidel. Suddenly the dreidel stopped spinning and started to sing and dance. The two girls started to dance and sing, too. Then their mom and dad called them for dinner. They said by to their friend the dreidel. After they ate dinner they lit the menorah. When they opened their present there was a magic dreidel and do you know what it said? "You were playing with my brother before you had dinner and now you get to play with me and have fun."

Mallory Kardish, Grade 2 Hillel Academy

Chanukahl Chanukah, what a wonderful week, Dreidels, presents and Chanukah gelt, Family, candles and latkes too, That's why I love Chanukah, do you? Yonl Levitan, Grade 4 Hillel Academy

I Love Chanukah!!!

T LOVE CHAILITAGE!!!

Chanukah oh Chanukah never go away,
Chanukah oh Chanukah please come to stay.
I lawe the way we play all day
With the dreidels and tell fables about you.
We light the menorah and sing too
Chanukah oh Chanukah I love you!
Chanukah oh Chanukah li love gou
Chanukah oh Chanukah never go away
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Chanukah oh Chanukah never go Hillel Academy

Chanukah is a time we laugh with Joy while remembering the Maccabee war. We spin the dreidel with power making it our Chanukah toy. We light the Chanuklah with areat pleasure and a we tight the Chanticus
great pleasure and a
smile in our eyes that
tells everyone that
Chanukah the holiday
is the greatest time
for that smile to be.



Gahy Farkas, Grade 6 Hillel Academy

Candles glowing in the light
Candles glowing oh so bright
With one more added every night
And the shamash glawing bright
Dreidels going round and round
The Maccabees win makes me very proud.
Warren Arshinoff, Grade 6
Hillel Academy

The Important Thing

I like Chanukah. I think its very important for the Jewish people. What I like most about Chanukah is getting presents, eating lalkes, and singing songs. But that's not what's important. The important thing is that the Jewish people found the oil and lived in happiness.

Andrea Yumansky, Grade 4 Hillel Academy

Monsters of Chanukah

Once upon a time there lived a good man. When it was Chanukah, the monsters came

When it was Chanton.

Out.

They ruined everything!

When the people went to synagogue, the monsters would attack.

A man wanted people to go to synagogue, so he went and opened the doors and met the monsters.

The monsters were little. The man found an egg on the floor that taoked like a rock. He cracked the egg and the monsters ran away.

The people lived happily ever after.

Rohhy Hoffman, Grade 2

Hillel Academy

Victory and glary surrounding us.
The flicker of the candles,
So serene,
So magically pure.
Omniscient splendour
Building inside of us.
Sharon Nicolin and Shanna Spring,
Grade 8, Hillel Academy

Chanukah comes in December, It's a night for us to remember.

Candles, candles burning bright, One extra candle every night.

Dreidel spinning round and round. On the table or on the ground.

Let's make latkes for us all, So delicious, big or smail. Jeremy Waaserlauf, Grade 4 Ottawa Modern Jewish School



Light the menorah Win the war Dance the hora Light up the door Tonight is Chanukah Let us sing The holy songs That God does bring Bake the latkes In the stong Bake the latkes
In the stove
Sizzling hat
Off we doze
Tonight is Chanukah
We finally pray
And wait for presents
To come the next day!



Story of a young girl's Chanukah

Mother walks in with a heaping plate of latkes, Father follows with oil, wicks and matches. With my brother and stster I play dreidel, With the baby sleeps soundly in his cradle. Grandma is telling stories to my cousins by the

fire, I lean over to listen, watch and admire. She tells wonderful stories of her childhood, I wonder if I'll be like that, I wonder if I could. I hear the soft sounds of the bell ringing for

dinner.
And I know it isn't a time to get slimmer.
My dinner was delicious, but I'll go on to bed,
I'll dream of all the wonders of the world and
how well I've been fed.

Madelelne Plaine Nerenberg, Grade 5
Ottawa Modern Jewish School

Chanukah - Bazeman Hazeh

Chanukah A time to get presents Chanukah The Jewish X-mas Chanukah

Chanukah A funny candlestick instead of a tree Chanukah A game of greed/dreidel Chanukah Chocolate coins and latkes Chanukah Only one turn on Souta's lan

Chanukah
Only one turn on Santa's lap
Chanukah
A big war thousands of years ago
Nothing to do with us
Chanukah
Judah Maccabee
This is what children are taught
This is what Judalsm is to them
But -

But -It is not on these values that we've survived so long It is not on these values that we'll continue to

It is not on the survive survive Is this what we've come to? Is this what we teach our children? Rachel Fyman, Grade 8 Hillel Academy

The Last Candle on the Last Night

As we stare into that candle Watching it flicker down so low Seeing our past, just a dying flicker of light Fading away, away from us

Those men who fought so hard to save us Most of them lost their lives We see them now in that candle that burns

We celebrate this holiday for them They died to keep this candle alive It will vanish like the rest of this Chanukah But in our souls it will alivays burn Sara Strawcynski, Grade 8 Hillel Academy

Many candles are burning bright, I can see them

Many candles are burning pright, i cure set them now.
But tonight is only the third night of Chanukah.
People are giving presents, spinning dreidels and playing for candy.
That's how they celebrate Chanukah.
But I celebrate it differently, I think of the hard times the Jews went through and the brave people who fought to keep the Jewish religion as one.
That's how I celebrate it.
I celebrate the true meaning.
Ariel Vered, Grade 6
Hillel Academy

Candles Having fun A latke Nathing is better Unbelievable presents Kosher food A dreidel Hooray for Chanukah

Corey Balsam, Grade 5 Talmud Torah Afternoon School

I am waiting for the day
That dreidel I will play!
I hope to win a lot of money
To buy latkes and fill my tummy!
I am excited to light my menorah
And then I will dance the hora!
Srolik Sperlin, Grade 3
Ecole Malmonides



Chanukah Night The night is here The children are excited Tonight they'il stay up late And they are so delighted.

Soon we'll light the candles Two of them dancing bright. But wait, we can't light them yet Until it is the night.

MMMM, I can smell the frying Latkes, donuts and cake We eat what's fried in oil It's what we fry, not bake

Sorah Leah Rodin, Grade 5 Ecole Malmonides

I like Chanukah because I like to liaht the

Thee Critatius States menorah And play with dreidels which are fun. You need at least two players, that's more than You need at tessonone.

I like donuts which are good

I like donuts which are good

And also latkes, what yummy food!

Yoey Shaps, Grade 3

Ecole Maimonides

HEALTH FILE

Adult Attention Deficit Disorder

By Dr. Joel Kanigsberg

Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) is characterized by symptoms of inattention, impulsiveness and overactivity, which are most evident during childhood. It was once thought that such problems dissipated by the time a child reached the age of 12. However, there is a growing realization that these symptoms not only persist into adolescence, but into adulthood, as well.

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Unfortunately, there are not many adults who have been diagnosed or treated for ADD. This may be partly due to the fact that at the time they were experiencing symptoms as childen, clinicians, educators and parents knew little, if anything, about the disorder. Often it is only when their children are brought to the attention of a professional, who takes a thorough family history, that adults come to recognize the same symptoms in themselves.

A conservative estimate of the prevalence of ADD in children is five percent of the school age population. About one third of these outgrow the symptoms by adolescence. Of the remaining group, one third to one half of these adolescents continue to have symptoms of ADD during adulthood. In adults, ADD is often a "hidden disorder" with symptoms being masked by difficulties with relationships, organizational skills and work patterns. Some associated concerns include: distractibility, disorganization, forgetfulness, procrastination, chronic lateness, boredom, anxiety, depression, low self-esteem, mood swings, employment problems, rest-lessness and substance abuse.

Not all these features will be present

in every person and there will be variation in the degree of impairment. In many cases, there is a sense of a lack of accomplishment or underachievement over the course of their lives.

The individual's academic and employment history likely includes frequent comments by teachers and supervisors to the effect that he or she did not work up to potential, could have put more effort into work, and was inconsistent in performance. It may have taken much longer than usual to complete college or university and there may have been several changes in programs before graduation.

ation.

Although the exact cause of ADD is not conclusively known, the current view is that it is a genetically transmitted disorder caused by an imbalance in brain chemicals related to efficient control of behaviour. Parenting style and environmental variables, such as diet, have not been scientifically found to cause ADD.

There is no none medical or newel-

to cause ADD.

There is no one medical or psychological test available to diagnose ADD in adults or children. The diagnosis should be based primarily on the individual's history or life story as told to a professional who is knowledgeable in the field.

Since adults with ADD are noted.

horisting with ADD are notoriously poor self-observers, it is helpful to have the spouse, friend or parent of the individual provide and corroborate information. This can be supplemented by having them complete behavioural rating forms. Psychological testing is often used to detect the presence of associated learning problems, but is not diagnostic in and of itself. A physical exam by a physician is important to rule out any organic or coexisting causes for the symptoms.

Once the diagnosis has been conclusively made, a treatment plan can be developed.

Dr. Edward Hallowell, the most quoted writer in the field of Adult ADD, describes in his book Driven To Distraction, five components to successful treatment:

1) Diagnosis: having a name attached to the symptoms an individual is experiencing provides a great sense of relief:

2) Education: understanding the nature of ADD and its effects on various aspects of one's life allows for more effective planning on what to do about it and how to explain it to others:

about It and how to explain it to ouncrs;

3) Structuring: external limits andaids are important in managing lists
and daily planning. The goal is to reduce disorganization and improve productivity and control over one's life;
4) Coaching and/or Psychotherapy:
having someone available to provideencouragement, instructions and to
help keep on task is important;
5) Medication: many symptoms of
ADD can be controlled by medication
that works by correcting an imbalance
of chemicals in the parts of the brain
that regulate attention, impulse control and mood. The same medications
that work for children are often effective for adults.

use for adults.

Although Attention Deficit Disorder in adults can be debilitating if not diagnosed and treated, it can be managed effectively to make life easter and more comfortable for those with ADD and those around them.

Dr. Joel Kanigsberg is a psycholo-gist in private practice specializing in child and adult Attention Deficit Disorder.

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SOMETHING

Israel's Stonewall Jackson

On a street of craftsmen outside the walls of old Jerusalem. I found Stonewall Jackson. He was seated inside a small silversmith shop; a stick-figure of a man, wearing a loose orange shirt and carving silver at a workbench. When I walked in he said without looking up "Look around. Look around." On open shelves and inside glass enclosed cabinets i was awed by the most magnificently crafted silver sculpture ranging from miniature objects to very large figures. Exquisitely executed families seated around a dining table were among many "scenes" styled in silver.

After a while I turned to look at the man. His hair was dark and sparse. A greying beard and a moustache that dropped at the corners surrounded his thin lips. His long narrow face bore an expression of sorrow.

I asked the question I asked of everyone I spoke to in Israel. "Where are you from?" "From?" he answered in a loud voice "I'm from here! I was born in Jerusalem. I am the sixth generation of my family born in the Holy Land."

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I noticed a pair of crutches leaning against his work table and asked about them. "I have no legs," he responded. Silence for several seconds before he continued. "I was a commander during the 1968 war and the very first soldier to reach the Western Wall. The first modern Jews to touch the wall with my bare hands. I was not aware of shooting nor cries of falling comrades. Someone yelled 'Hit the ground' but I did not move. I knew only that I was hugging these sacred stones with my body and I was crying.

"Something happened. I didn't know what but I slid to the ground, my hands sliding down the stones as my body fell. I never let go but I lost consciousness. I woke up in a hospital and heard 'Well, Stonewall Jackson, you're alive.' From that day on I am known only by that name. While I was conscious I never let go of that wall.

"Waking up I thought I felt my legs hurting so I reached down to touch them. There were no legs to touch. There was only emptiness below my thighs." When I first walked in he said not a word; now he was a talking machine. He continued "My family was devastated by this war. My wife, father, brother and my only son were killed. My mother died soon after of a broken heart. I am still here as you can see and I go on working.' What else can I do?"

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Jackson's eyes were the saddest I have ever seen in my life. He gave so much to the survival of his country—his family—and his legs. He was very eynical of the peace negotiations and he criticized all the politicians.

In the rear of the shop I saw a cot, one chair and a table. I assumed he lived there and asked if he did. He responded in an angry tone. "Do you think I would live like this? I make a lot of money and I live in a beautiful house. My art is exported to every major city in Europe and the United States."

He showed me newspaper clippings with his photograph and the name Stonewall Jackson under it. The articles extolled his beautiful creations in silver. His reputation as an artist Is world-wide.

As the only member of his family left he lives and works in Jerusalem — his tragedy and his work filling his world. He refused to tell me his real name but when he gave me his card which had printed in large letters the name Stonewall Jackson. I saw in a bottom corner in tiny letter "H. Lipshitz."

I asked permission to take his picture. Although he agreed I felt I was intruding and hardly focused my camera to take one quick shot. Now his story and his picture are in my Israel photo album.





SOUP TO NUTS

DONNA KARLIN

Substitutions to reduce fat

For the last six years, I have been asked questions about various ways of cooking, food substitutes and storage. In this day of controlling the amount of fat we consume in our daily diets, I'm frequently asked if I know of any substitutions for the fattier ingredients we used in the past. Hopefully these are the answers to some of your questions.

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Substitutions for whole milk, whipping (heavy) cream and sour cream: For 1 cup whole milk, substitute skim milk plus 1 Tbsp. unsaturated oil such as saflower, sunflower or corn. For 1 cup whipping cream (unwhipping cream (unwhipping cream (unwhipping cream (unwhipping cream (unwhipping cream)) whipping cream (unwhipping cream). Foods made with buttermilk are OK. Buttermilk is made from cultured skim milk. Despite its rich taste, it's very low in fat. Baked goods made with these low fat substitutes dry out much (aster and should be consumed quickly.

Substitutions for oil in baked goods: Pure fruit purces such as applesauce or pear sauce can replace the oil in baked goods. Use equal amounts of the purce for the amount of oil called for.



To replace whole eggs in most baked goods: In most recipes for baked goods (not tortes or any other recipes where eggs are used as the only leavening), substitute 2 egg

whites for each egg called for in the recipe.

Eliminating salt from a recipe: Salt in
older recipes for baked goods can often be
reduced, but don't eliminate it completely.

The salt in baked goods contributes to the texture as well as the taste of the finished product. Salt inhibits the activity of protein digesting enzymes in flour and prevents the destruction of gluten. This creates the texture in breads, cakes, muffins and other flour based baked goods. In cooking, salt is for flavour only and can be reduced or eliminated completely.

To lower the fat content in chocolate recipes: Substitute 3 Tbsp. cocoa plus 1 Tbsp. vegetable oil for each 1 oz. square of unsweetened chocolate called for in the recipe. This eliminates the cocoa butter that is so bad for you in chocolate.

To test if baking powder is still active: Baking powder can lose its effectiveness over time. If in doubt, test it before mixing up the recipe, Place ½ teaspoon baking powder into ½ cup of hot tap water. If it bubbles, it's still

1/4 cup of hot tap water. If it bubbles, it's still

recipe. Place ½ teaspoon baking powder into ¼ cup of hot tap water. If it bubbles, it's still good.

Storing crushed garlie in oil: I've had a lot of people ask me about storing crushed or minced garlie in oil. There is a chance of getting food poisoning after eating chopped garlie that has been stored that way. The bacteria thrives in an oxygen free environment which the oil surrounding the garlie provides. You should be discouraged from making this concectlon at home. When buying it commercially, be sure it contains some kind of acidifying agent and that the jar is refrigerated both at the store and at home. The bacteria is not detected by eye or taste. If the jar has been kept at any point over 38 degrees F, then the bacteria has had a chance to form. If in doubt, Don't use it!

Note: 1 tsp. minced or chopped garlie equals 1 clove fresh ½ tsp. powdered garlie equals 1 clove fresh ½ tsp. powdered garlie equals 1 clove fresh.

Espresso: I'm often asked about where to buy espresso coffee. Espresso is a method of brewing, not a type of coffee bean. At a very high pressure, a combination of steam and water is quickly forced through approximately twice the amount of coffee grounds which extracts more flavour. "Espresso Roast" usually refers to dark roasted beans that have been blended for use in espresso-type drinks (including cappuccino). Because of the strength of espresso. It's usually served in small deml-tasse cups.



FOCUS ON FINANCE

RRSPs: Everyone's tax shelter

By Gregory Sanders

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There has been much speculation surrounding the fate of the RRSP program as the federal government attempts to make a serious run at the deficit. From a numbers standpoint it may make sense when one realizes that RRSP and Registered Pension Plan (RPP) contributions in 1992 amounted to over 20 billion dollars with over 8 million Canadians participating in these programs.

Clearly, RRSPs and RPPs provide significant assistance to many Canadians, including those in lower income brackets. While the idea of taxing this pool of funds is entiting, the numbers show that it will likely alienate a large portion of the voters in Canada.

With this in mind, and with a new RRSP season approaching, it might be useful to look at some of the less common investments that are RRSP eligible.

Everyone knows that an RRSP is an arrangement under which an individual makes payments to an RRSP issuer in exchange for that issuer providing investments that will generate retirement income. An RRSP results in two distinct advantages. Firstly, any RRSP contributions are tax deductible. Second, income earned in an RRSP can accumulate tax free until such time as it is withdrawn. There are a number of different types of RRSP plans, including:

*Deposit plans, where an investor gives money to a bank or trust company which in turn invests the funds in low risk, interest bearing investments usually guaranteed by the government

*Insured plans, where the RRSP is held by an insurance company and the accumulating funds under a life insurance policy qualify for the RRSP.

*Managed plans, where RRSP contributions are pooled with other contributors and invested in a broad range of investments, including Canadian stocks, bonds and mortgages in the form of mutual funds.

*Self administered plans, where contributors can exercise a high degree of

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Self administered plans, where con-tributors can exercise a high degree of control over their RRSP investments, or can rely on an investment broker or man-ager for that control. The self adminis-tered plan offers the contributor greater flexibility at minimal cost, but requires an investment of time and management to ensure that the highest return possible is obtained. Typically, the self-adminis-tered plan can invest directly in a number

of investments, including stocks, bonds, mortgages, options, mutual funds and foreign securities.

In addition to these more traditional investments, an RRSP can also be used for the following:

1) An individual can transfer currently held investments into an RRSP. This can be accomplished in the form of deductible contributions in kind or a fair market value transfer of investments to an RRSP in exchange for eash or other investments held within the plan. This type of transaction will likely trigger a capital gain if the investments being transferred have appreciated in value.

2) An individual is entitled to withdraw up to \$20,000 from an RRSP to fund the acquisition of a new home.

3) An individual can use an RRSP to contribute to a labour sponsored venture capital corporation (an "LSVCC" for short). An investment in an LSVCC results in a tax credit of 40% from the federal and Ontario governments regardless whether it is held by the RRSP. The contribution to the RRSP results in additional savings in the form of deductible RRSP contributions. An LSVCC in turn invests your money in private companies that meet certain criteria. As such, an investment in an LSVCC can be quite risky.

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4) An RRSP can be used to provide third party or non-arm's length mortages to the contributor or the contributor's family, provided that the mortgage is secured by real property and is insured.

5) An RRSP can be used to invest in qualifying small businesses (i.e. Canadian controlled corporations that carry on an active business) provided that the contributor and the contributor's family own either less than 10% of the company or the maximum contribution of the group is less than \$25,000. Any investment in such corporations increases an RRSP's foreign content limit from the existing 20%.

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6) An individual can invest RRSP funds in pools of "eligible corporations," which are limited partnerships or trusts that in turn invest in Canadian owned corporations tions carrying on active business in Can-ada. Such investments also increase the foreign content limit.

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Bank Hapoalim exits Canada with takeover by N.Y.-based bank

TORONTO (JTA) — Republic National Bank of New York Corp. (Canada) has signed a memorandum of understanding to buy Bank Hapoalim (Canada) and plans to merge operations with the Toronto subsidiary of Israel's largest commercial bank.

The takeover, for which no figures were released,

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The takeover, for which no figures were released, is tentatively set for Jan. 1, subject to regulatory approval.

John Simpell, Hapoalim Canada's senior vice president of credit, declined to say if the decision to get out of Canada stems from a broader restructuring by the bank's Tel Aviv-based parent Bank Hapoalim.

The bank, with assets of \$124.8 million (Canadian), closed its Monireal office early last year.

Republic Canada, a subsidiary of Republic New York Corp., has two

offices in Montreal and one in Toronto and assets of \$818.1 million (Cana-dian).

The largest shareholder in the New York-based

The largest shareholder in the New York-based parent bank is Edmond Safra, a Syrian Jew with banking interests around the world. In October 1993 it purchased Bank Leumi le-ls-raei (Canada), which had two offices in Toronto and Montreal

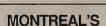
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The Tel Aviv-based bank had opened the subsidiaries in 1982 following the federal government's deregulation of Canada's banking industry. Following the takeover, Republic National (Canada) grew from Canada's 25th largest bank to its 17th.

The takeover will leave the Israel Discount Bank

the Israel Discount Bank of Canada as the only Is-raeli banking institution with a local subsidiary.





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Chanukah: Dedication and Joy

Arriving in the darkness and deep freeze that's winter, Chanukah provides us with a much needed break in routine. One tiny candle, then another and another remind us of "the great miracle that happened there" and the dedication that made it possible. So do the following three books:

Hanukkah, Oh, Hanukkah

A Treasury of Stories, Songs and Games to Share Compiled by Wendy Wax Illustration by John Speirs A Parachute Press Book, Ban-tam Book Publishers 1993 60 pps. Ages 6 and up

A Great Miracle **Happened There**

A Chanukah Story By Karla Kuskin Illustrated by Robert Andrew

Parker Willa Perlman Books, Harper-Collins Publisher 1993 Unpaged Ages 5-8

Northern Lights — A Hanukkah story

— A Hanukkan story
By Diana Cohen Conway
Illustrated by Shelly O. Haas
Kar-Ben Copies, Inc. 1994
Unpaged Ages 5-9
Hanukkah, Oh, Hanukkah is an
exuberant compilation of holiday
songs, poems, activities and stories. Its emphasis is on enjoying
each and every facet of the holiday. Classic Chanukah songs,

their words and music, enhance sparkling poetry and poignant memories.

A latke recipe, directions for dancing the hora, playing dreidel, making a menorah, an excerpt from Sydney Taylor's More All-of-a-Kind Family, David Adler's Chelmike story of Malke's Secret Recipe, the history of Chanukah, all this and more wrap the reader in the glowing warmth of holiday and family fun.

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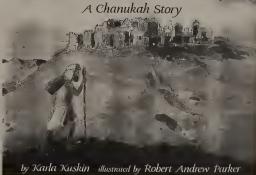
glowing warning in the family fun.

Using several artistic and graphic styles, John Speirs expands on the mood, tone and theme of each selection with the vigor and panache of a Broadway musical. Simply super!!!

A Great Miracle Happened There adds a dash of multiculturalism to a retelling of the Chanukah story and description of holiday celebration. On the first night, a young non-Jewish friend joins the family celebrations.

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Karla Kuskin then retells the Chanukah story with an eagle ear to the unasked questions that might pop into the mind of a curious eight year old encountering. Chanukah for the first time. She also includes a mini-story explaining why Chanukah menorahs have eight branches when the Temple menorah has only seven.
But Kuskin does more. She challenges readers to discuss their values and bellefs. Was it right for Mattathias to kill? What are miracles? What do they mean for us? Robert Andrew Parker's water-

A GREAT MIRACLE HAPPENED THERE



colours beautifully express and define both biblical and contempo-

define both biblical and contemporary scenes. A somewhat hazy, ghostly colouring dominates the paintings of biblical events, while present day scenes are more defined and solid.

In all, an excellent blend of thoughtful and thought provoking, lyrical storytelling with evocative illustrations.

Northern Lights is a charming, thoroughly multicultural blend of Chanukah symbolism and Alaskan Eskimo experience. Like the TV show Northern Exposure, this story brings people together to share history and culture in an understanding, warm, accepting fashion.

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Dr. Israel and his daughter Sara fly into a remote Yupik village where he will visit patients. A blizzard strikes. Stranded by the storm and left with the pilot's mother, also named Sarah, who only speaks Yupik and his daughter who has the role of translator

and friend. Sara has to make the best of not being home for the first night of Chanukah.

That turns out to be relatively easy. Instead of latkes, Sara enjoys fried Eskimo bread. When the power goes out it's storytelling time in Yupik tradition. Sara takes centre steady with the Chanukah of the property of the proper

time in Yupik tradition. Sara takes centre stage with the Chanukah story. And for a menorah, she kindles an old Yupik whale oil lamp. As the storm dies down, Northern lights blaze across the sky. For Sarah Anaruk, they're dancing spirits. For our Sara, they're an enormous menorah, and a most memorable Chanukah.

Shelly Haas' full colour illustrations offer an effective study, in the use of contrasts, ley blue and purple washes recreate the cold

ple washes recreate the cold harshness of the ouiside while softly glowing orange and gold re-flect the friendship and comfort that is developing indoors. May your Chanukah celebra-tions be the best ever!

El Lissitzky, **Proun 8 Stellungen,** c. 1923

El Lissitzky was born in the Russian town of Pochinok. He grew up na Jewish family in czarist Russia, spent his youth in Vitebsk and was determined to play his part in creating a new and better world. He graduated with an engineer/architecture diploma but was happy working in any medium.

The removal of the czar in 1917 meant the removal of restrictions for Jews and a renaissance of Jewish expression. Artists chose Jewish subjects, and writers began to publish plays and stories in Yiddish. Lissitzky was optimistic about the future of Russian Jews, about the liberalization of Russians and about the emergence of a new art. It is easy in hindsight to say that he was naive, but in those years reforms were being made every day and idealists believed individuality would be allowed to flourish.

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Lissitzky devoted himself almost totally to the cause of a Jewish national art in his paintings. He studied the Jewish culture, undertaking a journey to Moglev to investigate the paintings in the synagogue. Many of his drawings from this time are reminiscent of Mare Chagall's work such as the

Art Works / Rose Ann Hoffenberg



illustration for Khad Gadya, a song sung from the Haggadah. Chagall offered Lissitzky a position as instructor in the department of architecture, and head of the graphies workshop in the art academy in Vitebsk. It was here that he met the Suprematist artist, Kasimir Malevich. Malevich believed in the supremacy of the pure

aesthetic world. He stated that rectangles, triangles and squares were the purest forms, and that they were linked to the shape of the canvas. By 1919 Lissitsky's designs became more stylized and geometric and less representational of the real world.
Lissitsky continued to expand the visual language of Suprematism with spatial elements inspired by his architectural ideas. His floating geometric forms had different vanishing points which created a degree of tension for the viewer. There were no bright colours and he used various materials such as tempera paint, pencil, metal foil and sand to mirror the new world — a better world. Lissitzky called his Suprematist compositions Prounen which is generally agreed to be an abbreviation for the 'project for the affirmation of the new Russla.'

The Proun seen in the National Gallery of Canada can be viewed

from eight different positions, hence the name Proun 8 Stellungen. The dynamic abstractions are viewed as shapes emerging from the surface of the canvas. The canvas holds metal, foil, oil and gouache but Lissitzky argued, just as Malevich had, that the wall holding the canvas was just as important as the painting. He believed in a total environment for a work of art which anticipated the American abstract expressionists by about 30 years. Lissitzky designed a Prounroom' to unify all available surfaces, and incorporated the floor and ceiling as well as the walls, for display space.

Lissitzky was an innovator in the installation of art exhibitions. He experimented with new ideas in topography, photography and poster design in the 1920s. However, as an artist living under a communist regime, he would have heat of yield to the mandate of social realism, and make artistic compromises, As an idealist living under a dictatorship, the promise of a new and better world would have been tempered, and as a Jew living in the Soviet Union, the hope of being treated as an equal would have been suppressed.

AROUND THE WORLD

Stung by Democratic debacle, U.S. Jews fear for domestic agenda

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Stung by the Democratic debacle in the recent American elections, many Jews find themselves grappling with the right-ward tidal wave that has swept the

country.

For many of the defining issues of

For many of the defining issues of American Jewry, an unclear and unchartered path lies ahead in the wake of widespread Democratic Iosses across the nation.

While Jewish Republicans rejoiced and some voiced little worry, others sounded a dire warning.

"The entire domestic agenda is clearly in trouble," said Jerome Chanes, co-director for domestic concerns at the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, an umbrella organization.

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umbrella organization.

With new Republican majorities in both the House of Representatives and the Senate. Jewish activists across the political spectrum predict a tumultuous time for Jewish domestic concerns on Capitol Hill beginning in January.

Faced with the loss of many long-time supporters of Israel and other Jewish causes — including nine Jewish lawmakers — many in the Jewish community have already begun to re-evaluate strategies and legislative priorities for the coming year.

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The 104th Congress that was elected November 8 will include a total of nine Jewish senators and 23 Jewish representatives, down from 10 sena-

representatives, down from 10 sena-tors and 31 representatives in the cur-rent legislature. Much of how the Jewish community reacts to the altered balance of power in Washington depends on the level of

cooperation that Republicans strike with the Clinton administration, ana-

with the Clinton administration, analysts say.

American Jews, who vote overwhelmingly Democratic, and Jewish organizations, which tend to have a liberal bent, basked in the past two years of Democratic rule.

Organizations were generally more concerned with shaping good legislation than opposing what they saw as harmful initiatives.

Jewish organizations supported much of the recent congressional domestic agenda, including abortion rights legislation, the Family and Medical Leave Act, and the Religious Freedom Restoration Act.

They also supported Clinton's goal of universal health care coverage and welfare reform.

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more conservative initiatives, such as school prayer and budget cuts that could harm social programs.

Democrats painted the loss that spanned all ideological, geographic and social barriers as a "catastrophe."

Republicans picked up eight seats in the Senate assuring the GOP its first majority since 1986. On the other side of the Hill, Republicans captured a majority in the House for the first time in 40 years.

Perhaps the most important challenge to the Jewish community, observers say, will center around prayer in public schools.

With the new conservative Congress likely to consider an amendment to

the Constitution to allow prayer in school, many Jewish analysts predict that major battles over the issue lie

ahead.
Some Jews, including many in the Orthodox community, support issues such as school prayer and school vouchers for private school education. But the majority of Jews have traditionally felt that school prayer crosses the line separating church and state. "There's a real danger that a constitutional amendment will be introduced and there's a real possibility of passage," NJCRAC's Chanes said, adding, "This Congress poses a troubled road."

the National Jewish Democratic Council believes that "the Christian Coalition is going to claim — and rightfully in many cases — that it had a signifi-

cant impact in the election."

As a result, he said, "we're going to see an attempt to promote their agenda"

agenda."

The Republican takeover does not necessarily spell the defeat of Clinton's domestic agenda, many activists say. But they add almost in unison, "We will certainly see a move to the right."

Despite the dire predictions for do-mestic Jewish interests, the picture on the pro-Israel front looks brighter, ac-

cording to Jewish activists.

The American-Israel relationship and Israel's \$3 billion in foreign aid are not threatened by the new Con-gress, the activists suggest.

Prague's Jewish community regains museum

PRAGUE (JTA) — The Czech government officially has returned the Prague Jewish Museum to the Prague Jewish duseum to the Prague Jewish community. The museum, which was confiscated by the Nazis in 1939 and subsequently taken over by the postwar Communist regime, houses one of the world's largest collections of Judaica, some of whose priceless objects date back to the 16th cenof whose priceless object date back to the 16th cen



Computer buff fights electronic Nazism

Simon Fraser University faculty members have come to the aid of a B.C. resident who is fighting Nazism on the global Internet. Their efforts are beginning to pay off.

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Over 18 months ago, philosophy professor Norman Swartz became aware of Ken McVay, an impover-ished Vancouver Island resident who operates the Fascism and Holocaust Arrascism and rolocaust Archives, from which he re-buts, refutes and chal-lenges anti-Semites and Holocaust-deniers on the world's largest computer network.

network.
Swartz, has just written
an 83-page report, Fighting
Electronic Nazism: Finding
financial support for the Fascism and Holocaust Ar-

"Although Nazis and anti-Semites discovered the power of computers a dec-ade ago, they peddled their hate among themselves in a hate among themselves in a covert, patchwork network," explains Swartz. "In the past three years they have switched to the vast public forum of 20 to 40 million people on the global internet, to publish lies, announce meetings, and recruit members.

"One person alone monitors this enormous worldwide network every day to refute Nazi propaganda," he continues. "He has shouldered all the costs and most of this invaluable work him-

"Because anything can be posted on the Internet, the evil genie of fascism is well and truly out of the bottle

evil genie of lascism is welli and truly out of the bottle again, with renewed vigor," concludes Swartz. "The only way to counter this racism is to reply immediately, and forcefully, with the truth."

McVay has established a worldwide network of associates, including staff at the Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, Eli Rosenbaum, chief war-crimes prosecutor for the U.S. justice department, and researchers at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem.
Despite suffering from carpal tunnel syndrome and tendonitis in both elbows from the many hours

bows from the many hours he spends at his keyboard, he has created a Holocaust Research Mailing List which Research Mailing List which has generated in excess of 1,000 messages in one day, research guides, a collection of Holocaust and Fascism-related material approaching 40 megabytes of data, and a worldwide mailbased server carried by at least 50 major universities on Goober.

least 50 major universities on Gopher.
"There's a war going on here because these people want the Holocaust all over again," states McVay. "If we don't fight this now, we're going to have to deal with them 20 or 30 years down the road."



Japanese paper apologizes for advertising anti-Semitic books

LOS ANGELES (JTA) — A prominent Japanese daily newspaper has formally apologized to Jewish groups for advertising books that claim the world is secretly controlled by Jews. The apology by Yomiuri Shimburi, said to be the world's largest-circulation newspaper, was issued to the American Jewish Committee and Anti-Defamation League in response to protests by these groups and by the Israeli Embassy in Tokyo.

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The offensive advertisement by the Tokuma Shoten Publishing Co., which ran in the 10-million circulation newspaper, promoted a number of books that "explain" modern history as a series of Jewish plots to dominate the world. In an identical letter sent to Neil Sandberg, director of the AJCommittee's Pacific Rim Institute, and ADL National Director Abraham Foxman, the heads of Yomiuri Shimbun's advertising and public relations departments wrote. "We sincerely regret the publishing of an advertisement which, as you point out, can be said to promote racism.

"We accept your criticism on this matter and

said to promote racism.

"We accept your criticism on this matter and disassociate ourselves from the contents of the advertisement in question," they wrote, adding: "Please be assured that henceforth, taking your point into consideration, we shall redouble our efforts to avoid the printing of advertisements without checking their credibility, and to deal with world affairs without bias or bigotry." According to reports from Tokyo, Jewish conspiracy books are a cottage industry in Japan. Generally in the form of mystery-thrillers, the books' plots might link the pope, the queen of England and U.S. presidents as Zionist conspirators bent on destroying Japanese industry.

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Despite the popularity of such books, with sales over 1 million, Rabbi James Lebeau of Temple Beth David in Tokyo said he had never heard of any attacks or violence against Jews in Japan. An estimated 2,000 Jews, mostly Americans like in Japan.

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The Issue of the anti-Semitic books is years old and has been on the agenda of numerous meetings between Jewish groups and Japanese officials. Symposiums have been held on the subject and Japanese scholars have spoken out vociferously against the books while explaining the myriad reasons for their existence.

The AJCommittee and Simon Wiesenthal Center held meetings in past years with the Japanese Publishers and Editors Association, advertising executives and government officials.

cials.

Asked why the problem continues, Sandberg of AJCommittee ventured that "the Japanese culture moves very slowly. When decisions are made, even major ones, by government or other key institutional entities, it takes time for the messages to be conveyed and appropriate corrective action to take place."



Sergio Widder (pictured left), the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Latin American representative and Eugenia Unger. Holocaust survivor and member of the resistance of the Warsaw ghetto uprising participate in a weekly demonstration in Buenos Aires to demand justice for the bombing of the Asociacion Mutual Israelita Argentina (AMIA) in Argentina this last July and the bombing of the Israeli Embassy in March, 1992. The demonstration is held in front of the Palace of Justice where the Buenos Aires Judicial offices are located. At 9:53 am, the exact time when the bomb exploded at the AMIA, the demonstrators remain silent for one minute in memory of the victims of the terrorist attack. Demonstrations are expected to continue until the perpetrators are brought to justice.

Austrian president acknowledges his country's role in Holocaust

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Austrian President Thomas Klestil concluded a three-day visit to israel in November, acknowledging his nation's role in the atroctites of the Holocaust. Addressing a special session of the Knesset, Klestil said a full acknowledgment of his country's complicity in the Holocaust was long overdue and that his country should do more to compensate Jewish survivors.

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"All too often we have only spoken of Austria as the first state to have lost its freedom and independence to National Socialism, and far too seldom of the fact that many of the worst henchmen in the Nazi dictatorship were Austrians." Klestil said.
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Klestil said.
"No word of apology can ever expunge the agony of the Holocaust," he said.
While not making any specific pledges, Klestil told ine Knesset that his country should consider following the lead of Germany and make reparations to the victims of

the Holocaust.
"For far too long we have not done enough, and perhaps not always the right thing, to alleviate the plight of the survivors of the dewish tragedy and victims' descendants," he said.

Klestil's visit signaled a vast Klestil's visit signaled a vast improvement in Insraeli-Austrian relations, which were strained by the 1986 election of Kurt Waldheim to the Austrian presidency, a position he held until 1992.

Waldheim was a Nazi intelligence officer in the Balkans during the war. He has been implicated in the deportations of Jews and reprisal killings of anti-Nazi partisans in the region.

gion.

In an earlier meeting with Klestil. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres raised the issue of reparations for Austrian Jewish Holocaust victims.

More than 190,000 Jews lived in Austria before World War II. By 1945, less than 2,000 remained.

Klestil, along with Austrian

Foreign Minister Alois Mock, who accompanied him on the trip, played down questions about the danger of growing support for right-wing extremists in Austria:
Austria's far-right Freedom Party posted dramatic gains in parliamentary elections held in October.

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Austrian Nazi-hunter Simon Wicsenthal, who also accompanied Klestil to Israel, said Austria's younger generation was more willing to confront the country's wartime past and that Klestil was setting an important example by visiting the Jewish state.

important example by visiting the Jewish state. During his visit to Israel, Klestil did not meet with Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat in Gaza or with other Palestinian leaders at Orient House, the PLO's headquarters in eastern Jerusaiem. President Ezer Weizman said he had asked Klestil not to meet with Arafat Klestil not to meet with Arafat during the visit.

Poland retracts Arafat's invite to Auschwitz

NEW YORK (JTA) — No-bel Peace Prize or not, Jew-ish groups were not pleased to learn that Polish President Lech Walesa had intended to invite Palestine intended to invite Palestine
Liberation Organization
leader Yasser Arafat to aitend ceremonies in January marking the 50th anniversary of the liberation of
Auschwitz.
Bowing to a surge of international protest, Walesa
has apparently changed
his mind.
Walesa, who won the No-

his leadership of the Solidarity union movement in
Poland, reportedly had
planned to invite all living
winners of the award to the
Jan. 27 event.

But the Polish president
has backed down on the
Arrafat invitation, according to Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and the
World Jewish Congress,
whose executive director,
Elan Steinberg, received
the word from officials at
the Polish Embassy in
Washington.

Arafat was made according to a formulation under which "Walesa and the Polish government will invite all Nobel Peace Prize wincrs up to last year only." Peres told Israel Radio. Peres is a co-recipient of this year's coveted prize, aiong with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Arafat.
However, Peres and

and Arafat.

However, Peres and
Rabin reportedly might
still attend the commemoration as leaders of the
Jewish state.

Word about the invita-

tion to Arafat prompted an avalanche of protest from Jewish organizations. The European Jewish Congress promised to boycott the event and the New York-based Coalition for Jewish Concerns-Ameha threatened to demonstrate.

Criticism over the invita-

strate.
Criticism over the invitation to Arafat was also
voiced by such parties as
the Simon Wiesenthal Center, the Anti-Defamation
League, the Zionist Organization of America and
the head of Germany's

Jewish community, Ignatz

Aithough the Jan. 27 Atthough the Jan. 27 commemoration was supposed to be coordinated by the Polish government and the International Auschwitz Committee, it has become largely Walesa's project, according to Jewish officials.

More than 1 million

More than 1 hinner, Jews were killed at the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp before it was liber-ated by Russian troops in January 1945.

ISRAEL/MIDDLE EAST

Hamas, once ignored by Israel, now poses serious threat to peace

BONN (JTA) — They say that the death squads of 1zz a-Din al-Kassam, the military branch of the islamic fundamentalist Hamas movement, number only several dozen.

But that seems to be all they need to pose a serious threat to the Middle East pages process.

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Despite their small numbers, much of Hamas' strength derives from the fact that hundreds of thousands of Palestinians support it — many of whom do not even know what the inside of a mosque looks

The irony of the matter is that 10 years ago the islamic fundamentalist movement in the Gaza Strip was so weak, so unimportant, that so-called Israeli "Arab experts" even encouraged their activities.

The thinking on the part of these experts was simple: a strong fundamentalist movement would dilute the strength of the Palestine Liberation Organization. As a result, Israel would be able to divide and conquer.

would be able to divide and conquer.
Conquery After six years of the
Palestinian uprising, after an additional year since Israel and the Pusigned the Palestinian self-rule accord, it seems clear that Israel has
not managed to conquer the rolling
hatreds of Gazan or West Bank Palestinians.
Divide? Yes, the PLO and Hamas
are divided But nowadays PLO offi-

are divided. But nowadays PLO offi-cials fear Hamas, their leading po-litical rival, at least as much as the Israelis do.

When President Clinton pressed PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat during the recent meeting in Cairo to clamp

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down on Hamas terror attacks, Ara-fat reportedly replied, "I'm their main target and, of course, I'm doing everything if I'm their main target?" it is clear from his recent actions that Arafat is not eager to tackle Hamas head on.

Roundups of Hamas activists by the Palestinian police under Arafat's control have been followed by their release within a matter of days.

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At the Cairo meeting, U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher presented Arafat with the choice of supporting Israel or supporting Hamas. To this Arafat gave the non-committal reply that he supports "the peace of the brave."

With its threats of all-out Palestinian civil war. Hamas has indeed weakened the PLO, at a time when Israel needs a strong PLO.

Instead, as the Oct. 19 suicide bus bombing in Tel Aviv proved — to cite only one instance — Hamas has become strong enough to deliver a death blow to the nascent Israeli-Palesthinian peace process.

Not even Sheik Ahmed Yassin, the

Not even Sheik Ahmed Yassin, the alling, crippled leader of Hamas who has been in an Israeli jail since 1989, can influence his followers.

Yassin, 58, founded the Majd al-Mujaheddin radical Islamic organi-zation in the early 1980s, a Gazan echo of the Islamic revolution in Iran. Like his Teheran counterparts,

he carried an appealing message: Is-lam is the solution to everything, to personal as well as national prob-lems.

Yassin, paralyzed since he was 12 from a soccer injury, soon emerged not only as spiritual leader but also as clandestine military commander.

as clandestine military commander. He was arrested in 1984 by the Israeli authorities and sentenced to 12 years in jail for the illegal possession of weapons and explosives. A year later, he was released in a prisoner exchange between Israel and the Popular Front for the Liberation of palestine.

Two years after that, he became spiritual leader of the Palestinian uprising. Hamas — an aeronym for the Islamic Resistance Movement and an Arabic word meaning "feror" — came into the world on Dec. 14, 1987, five days after the intifada began in the squalid refugee camps of Gaza.

When Yassin was brought before an Israeli military court in 1991 for his involvement in the murder of two kidnapped Israeli soldiers, and for inciting violence, he voiced his followers' resentments.

"The Jewish people drank from the cup of sorrow and lived dispersed in the world," he said. "Now the same people want to force the Palestinians to drink from the same up. History will not forgive you, and God will judge us all."

The millitary branch of Hamas was

The military branch of Hamas was founded at the beginning of 1988 by Sheik Salah Shehade, a follower of Yassin's who was dean of students at the Islamic University in Gaza

City. This branch, the lzz a-Din al-kassam Brigades (named for the leader of a terrorist group that oper-ated during the British Mandate), operates almost independently of the political movement. It receives its marching orders directly from Hamas headquarters in Jordan and Spria

Syria.

While the military wing makes the headlines, the political branch has steadily built popular support by building kindergartens, schools, clinics, hospitals and more than anything else, mosques.

Its funds come from ordinary Palestinians who make donations, but more importantly, from funds supplied by Iran, Saudi Arabia and Islamic groups throughout the world.

As recent events have shown, Islamic fundamentalists have succeeded in threatening the Israeli-Palestinian peace initiative.

But there are strong moderate ele-

Palestinian peace initiative.
But there are strong moderate elements within Hamas that support political action, people who feel that the organization can achieve more by participating in the upcoming Palestinian elections in Gaza and

py participants of the PLO needs to give Hamas a chance to play a fair and nonviolent political game — and so do the Israelis.

There is absolutely no guarantee that free political involvement on the part of Hamas will stop terrorism. But one thing is for sure — whoever blocks the way of Hamas to the political playing field will face the same group in the terrorist arena.

Study suggests compromise 'acceptable' to Jews and Arabs

NEW YORK (JTA) — A new study published by the World Jewish Congress sug-gests that there may be a way to resolve the problem of who rules Jerusalem that

of who rhies derusalem that could satisfy both Jew and Arab.
The study, conducted by British Jewish historian Martin Gilbert, indicates that Jerusalem could rethat Jerusalem could remain Israel's undivided capital while maintaining Palestinian links.

Despite the decision by israeli and Palestinian ne-

israeli and Palestinian ne-gotiators to postpone dis-cussions on Jerusalem un-til final-status talks on Pal-estinian autonomy begin in 1996, the issue continues to be an explosive one in israeli-Palestinian rela-

israeli-Palestinian rela-tions.
Israel has declared Jeru-salem to be the eternal, un-divided capital of the state, while Palestinians claim it as a future capital of their state.

After accomplished.

as a tutter examining the historical and political issues
surrounding Jerusalem.
Gibert – the official biographer of Winston Churchill
and author of numerous
books on the Holocaust and
other Jewish topics —
writes in his work that he
foresees "a political formula, and a reality on the
ground, acceptable to both
sides."

For Gilbert, the formula
involves keeping an undi-

U.S. set to build embassy in Jerusalem after final agreement

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The United States reportedly has signed an agreement to develop a plot of land in Jerusalem on which a new embassy will be built.

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which a new embassy with be built.

The United States, along with most other foreign countries, has never officially recognized Jerusalem as the capital of laracl, maintaining only consular offices there while keeping its embassy in Tel Aviv.

According to a recent issue of The Jerusalem Report, construction at the site in southern Jerusalem will be completed in 1999, the time by which Israel and the Palestinians are expected to have signed an agreement

on the final status of Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza.
Israeli sources quoted in the article said that when israel and the Palestinians resolve all outstanding issues regarding Jerusalem, the United States will declare the building its new embassy. Construction at the site has been held up because israel insisted that the United States recognize the site as the future location of its embassy. American officials opposed this, and a comprosed this, and a compro-

American oliciais op-posed this, and a compro-mise was finally reached by defining the compound as a place for "diplomatic use," where "a very senior diplomat" would live.

vided Jerusalem as israel's capital while allowing Arab residents institutional ties to the emerging Palestinian Authority on the West Bank

authority on the west bank and Gaza.

"If the pace and direction of the current autonomy agreements is maintained." he writes, "there ought to be a political way forward

that could satisfy both Is-raell and Paiestinian aspi-rations, while maintaining the current growth and ex-pansion of all neighbor-hoods."

hoods."
Under a united Jerusa-lem, he writes, the Arabs of eastern Jerusalem "could obtain status and self-gov-erning instruments."

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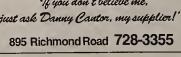
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